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MILITARY CORDON ROUND SATYAGRAHA TALUKAS IN GUJARAT?

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Another Wave Of Migration By Farmers.

WHAT MAMLATDAR TOLD REVENUE MEMBER.

Salt Satyagraha Begins Again In Surat District

(From a Correspondent).

SURAT, Decr. 25.

A little hut still stands as a living reminder to the people of Karadi that it was there that Gandhiji was arrested at midnight. It was in the very hut that Gandhiji thought of the Dharasana raid and drafted his second letter to the Viceroy. People of Karadi have still these memories fresh in their mind. So it is quite natural that they should be the first in reviving the Salt Satyagraha this year.

SALT SATYAGRAHA CAMPAIGN OPENS

Mr. Surendraji of Mahatmaji's batch opened the Salt Satyagraha campaign. Mr. Ramdas Gandhi gave a push and Messrs. Bhanabhai, Ganeshbhai and Bhagvanbhai from the village took up the movement. All of them are arrested.

SALE OF GANDHI SALT.

The campaign has not stopped. The villagers have decided to manufacture Gandhi Salt openly and sell it. They manufactured contraband salt in Bardoli on Sunday last, in Machhad on Monday, in Samapura on Tuesday, in Pethan on Wednesday and again in Karadi on Thursday the 25th instant.

DUE CEREMONIALS OF SATYAGRAHA.

They start the Satyagraha with due ceremonies. One of them starts reading paragraphs from Pandit Jawaharlal's speech. The second commits a breach of the Salt Law by manufacturing contraband salt. The third sells it and the fourth buys it. They announce their correct names and addresses in the open meeting before committing the "offences." The following persons have committed the four offences respectively as mentioned above in Bardoli village: Sjts. Rambhai Panchabhai, Lalbhai Jeram Ramabhai Panchabhai, Mithabhai Kanji and Jerambhai Somabhai. The last two read passages from Panditji's speech. The whole coastal area is preparing for mass Salt Satyagraha.

FURTHER ARRESTS

In persuation of the programme a further batch of Satyagrahis was arrested consisting of Sjts. Madhavji Vishram and Valjibhai Mulabhai from Karadi yesterday.

REVENUE MEMBER'S VISIT

A few days back the Revenue Member of the Government of Bombay paid a visit to the Satyagrahi Districts of Gujarat. The visit had a deep meaning behind it. Some idea can be gathered from the conversation he had with the Mamlatdar of Bardoli. The conversation as reported to me is as follows:—

Mr. Hudson: People are refusing payment of Government dues. Why still why are you allowing them to remove their crops?

Mamlatdar: We try to stop them as far as is possible in our power, but how can we cope with such a vast area?

Mr. Hudson: You have the aid of the Kitchener Police.

Mamlatdar: Yes Sir, but they do not obey us. They sit all the day guarding attached rice heaps. Some are doing attachment work.

Mr. Hudson: But now the Jowari and cotton crops will be ready. We must prohibit farmers from removing them at any cost.

Mamlatdar: I am afraid, it is not possible to do so.

Mr. Hudson: Employ more men but it must be done.

Mamlatdar: But Sir, we have not to deal with one town or village. How many guards can we post?

Mr. Hudson: Will 200 suffice?

Mamlatdar: No your honour.

Mr. Hudson: Will 500 do?

Mamlatdar: What can 500 men do?

Mr. Hudson: Then 1,000, 2,000, 3,000? Tell me how many do you require?

Mamlatdar: Sir, I can have no idea about the military. But according to my calculations an army of 7,000 will be required to surround the standing crops of the Taluka.

MILITARY CORDON ROUND TALUKA

The Revenue Member is reported to have made a note of it. At last our conjecture about the real motive of Mr. Hudson's visit has come true. He has actually prepared a plan to form a military cordon round the whole Taluka. At the following ten strategic points police camps will be opened:—

(1) Sarbhon Swaraj Ashrama, (2) Amboli, (3) Mankpore, (4) Bardoli Swaraj Ashram, (5) Madhi Ashram, (6) Timbarwa, (7) Vankaner, (8) Orgam (9) Ruwa, (10) Moti Faroli and (11) Mori. Over and above these some more "Thanas" will be opened in Valod Mahal.

RESTRICTIONS TO REMOVAL OF CROPS

In the mean time, orders are issued in Bardoli and Jalalpore Talukas prohibiting farmers from removing their Jowari crops without a previous sanction from the Mamlatdar or Kamdari. It is a well-known fact that the farmers of Bardoli and other Talukas have left their villages leaving behind them their standing crops. When the immigration movement started only rice crop was ready and the farmers succeeded to a very large extent in removing it with them. Jowari crop is only now ready. The farmers were ready for the new order and they have succeeded in spite of all the precautions by Government in cutting and removing the Jowari to the extent of 50 per cent. Migrated farmers are always awake to the new situation.

It transpires that all the Police Patel and Talatis in Surat District have received an order that once again the work of collecting land revenue has been handed over to them from the hands of the police. They are asked to take police help in times of emergency.

ANOTHER WAVE OF MIGRATION.

Some farmers had remained in their villages till now. But with the new preparations of the Government they also tried to leave the Taluka. But now the police are taking precautions to stop the migration. Farmers of Hathuka village in Bardoli Taluka were silently migrating into Baroda territory. Police came to know about it. To stop their migration, police guards were posted just near the Baroda territory. They are stopping any traveller or a cart passing by that road. Farmers anyhow manage to pass out slowly. This second wave of migration is going to be so strong that not even a dog will be allowed throughout the Satyagraha.

[illegible] AS RED RAGS.

A heap of hay belonging to Mr. Kalabhai Parag of Vankaner was recently burnt to ashes by some unknown person. Sub-Inspector of Police went there for Panchnama. He tried his best to involve some white cap workers in the intrigue. He persuaded the owner of heap to give names on suspicion of some white capwalas, but in vain. He threatened the volunteers in the camp. Once [illegible] Sardar Vallabhbhai's motor during Mr. Brunnotabai's tour he said, "You white cap people are burning the heaps everywhere. I am helpless as I am not able to get witness against you. Otherwise I would have thrown in jail. It means to burn grass heaps or confiscated rice stocks."

On through inquiry it has been proved that it is not the work of Satyagrahi volunteers. A Dubla was actually caught red-handed in Sarbhon while setting fire to a heap. The matter was brought to the notice of the Mamlatdar, but nobody knows what action is taken against the Dubla.

Twenty farmers of Kapura in Baroda State were arrested for an alleged attack on British police. They were kept in Vyara lock-up. They were not allowed to be released on bail by Vyara Police.

At last their case has been transferred by higher authorities of Baroda State to Navsari. The 20 farmers were produced before the judge of Navsari on the 24th inst. The Bar Association of Navasari has taken up the case for defence and at their request, the arrested farmers were released on bail. They all have returned to their village. Hearing of the case is fixed for 1st January.

How Plots To Kill Officials Are "Manufactured"

(From Our Correspondent.)

SURAT, December 25.

A bombshell was thrown by the Bardoli correspondent of the "Times of India" a few days ago. A story appeared that 200 men with "Dharias" stopped Mr. Ismail Desai's motor; but fortunately Mr. Desai was not in it and therefore his life was saved. Your correspondent has made inquiries in the village Kolimayapur where this incident is said to have occurred and in the surrounding villages also and has found out that nobody even knew about it. The people came to know about it only when the liquor shop-keeper of the village informed them what he read in the "Times of India" and when Baroda Police made inquiries about the matter. The whole report appears to be a faked up affair.

ATTACHMENTS GALORE AT SUNAV.

Goods Sold At Abnormally Low Prices.

(From a Correspondent).

BORSAD, Decr. 25.

On the 22nd instant, those Mohamedans of Petlad, who have bought confiscated lands of Rupapura and Davalpura villages of Borsad Taluka appeared on the fields guarded by 10 policemen and 2 Pathans. Finding nobody in Rupapura village, they proceeded to Virol, and on the way it is alleged abused one Babarbhai for not showing certain land-holdings belonging to several Satyagrahi peasants. Then they met one man on the way and took him to Davalpura and there beat him severely, detained him till the evening, and then let him go.

The attachment operations carried on in Sunav for the period of a month and a half brought to the Government goods worth about Rs. 6,000 or 8,000 at the most. A portion of these goods have been sold to a party of 11 Mahomedans of Vishnoli, a village of Petlad Taluka of Baroda State. Grain, furniture, clothes and vessels are amongst the things sold to these Mahomedans at abnormally low prices, amounting in some cases to about 20 per cent of cost price. Pulse and tobacco crops are being cut down and reports of thefts committed in houses in Raas, about 15 instances of looting of crops are received.

Thefts in the shops on the main road in Borsad are also reported for the last five days.

STAR OF ITALY WINS THE VICEROY'S CUP.

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CALCUTTA, Dec. 26.

The following is the result of the race for the Viceroy's Cup:—

Star of Italy	1
Acumen	2
Highness	3

Won by half length: two and half lengths separated second and third. Seven ran.—A. P.

LATHI CHARAGE ON PRABHAT PHERIS

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200 Men And Women Under Arrest.

10 PERSONS INJURED AT SIRSI.

DHARWAR, Dec. 25.

(Delayed in Transmission.)

At Sirsi yesterday morning a Prabhat Pheri was passing the Mamlatdar's office when it was asked to disperse. On refusal a lathi charge was made, resulting in ten persons being injured. Some arrests were made, but the arrested persons were subsequently released.

CONGRESS PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY JAILED.

Mr. Pandurangi, President of the Ranibennur Taluk Congress Committee, has been sentenced to undergo four months' rigorous imprisonment and pay a fine of Rs. 150, or, in default, to undergo two months' further imprisonment.

The Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Hampasagar, has been fined Rs. 100, or, in default, to undergo three months' rigorous imprisonment.—A. P.

150 Men And 50 Women Unded Arrest.

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DHARWAR, Dec. 26.

In connection with the dispersal of Prabhat Pheris at Sirsi and subesequent arrests it is learnt that bareheaded 'pheris' were taken out on the morning of the 24th as a mark of protest against the alleged ill-treatment of a political prisoner the previous evening.

The Pheris had reached the Taluka Kacheri when the police called on them to disperse. A 'lathi' charge was made as the Pheris came on one after another in batches of ten. They were all arrested, till about noon 150 men and 50 ladies had been taken in custody. At 3 p.m. all except eight persons were released.—A.P.

Benn Entertains R. T. Conference Delegates.

LONDON, December 26.

Mr. Wedgwood Benn gave Christmas Day luncheon at Chesterfield Gardens to the Round Table Conference delegates residing in London over the Holidays. About 30 were invited and among those present were Sjt. Patrao, Sir B. N. Mitra, Sir Abdul Qaiyum, Sir Fazul Haq, Sir P. Sethna, Mr. Domeli, Dr. Shafaat Ahmed, Mr. Aung Thin, Mr. Jadhav, Sir Cowasji Jehangir, Sir P. C. Mitter, Mr. Ramchandra Rao, Mr. Tambe, Dr. Moonje and Mr. Bhutto.—Reuter's Special.

Mr. Muhammad Ali's Health

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LONDON, Dec. 25.

It was stated to-night that Mr. Muhammad Ali was better. —Reuter.

MUSLIM DEMANDS "ANTI-NATIONAL."

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Communalist Hindus' Protest

AKOLA, Dec. 26.

Provincial Working Committee meeting of the Hindu Mahasabha, Berar, held on 26th December at Akola resolved approving the statement issued on behalf of the Hindu Maha Sabha by Dr. Moonje and strongly opposing any concession to the Moslem demands which it described as "anti-national".—A.P.

EXCISE OFFICERS LOCKED UP.

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SIMLA, Dec. 26.

Further details of the alleged mob attack on excise and police sub-inspectors of Sundamangalam show that two officers with constables raided a private house where illicit distillation of arrack was suspected. The mob separated the officers from the constables, assaulted the former and locked them up in a room. They were however set free in the morning.—A.P.

IN SOVIET RUSSIA TO-DAY.

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A Counter-Revolutionary Plot That Failed.

ORIGINS OF A FUTILE CONSPIRACY.

MOSCOW, Nov. 30.

We featured recently accounts given by the correspondents of British journals of the famous Moscow trials in which eight well-known leaders of Russian industry are accused of conspiring to subvert the Soviet State. Our correspondent in Moscow gives below a concise account of the origins of the conspiracy as disclosed at the trial.

(From Our Correspondent)

After the overthrow of the Tzars' Government in Russia many attempts were made by the members of the former aristocracy, landlords and industrialists to undermine the Soviet System and establish in its place monarchy or any other form of bourgeois government.

Since all attempts by intervention and military incursions, failed, owing to the well-organised counter measures by the new masters of the Russian Empire, the workers and peasants. Russian bourgeoise, pressed by the unfavourable circumstances adopted new tactics i.e. wrecking Soviet Government from within by organizing counter-revolutionary movements inside Russia whose aim was to check the development of the industry of the country by means of sabotage and wrecking activities specially in the newly created industries of the country; to spread false rumours and general discontent in the country-side among the peasants; to supply all kind of secret informations to the General Staffs of those foreign Governments which were in league with the Russian counter revolutionary conspirators. The above mentioned was the work proposed to be carried on inside the Soviet Russia, the share for sympathising the foreign countries was to carry out an effective economic boycott and blockade against USSR; hinder its export by nicknaming it as Dumping; by discrediting Soviet Government in general and consequently by organizing a military intervention by the Foreign governments supported by the expected rebellion from within.

G. P. U. the State Political Department of USSR one of the best organized institution of the world, has uncovered a great many of these plots during the last couple of years and the chief participants punished and convicted; but it was quite obvious for some time past that all those counter-revolutionary organisations were the part of some well organized conspiracy having its initiators abroad. This version has now been proved by the recent uncovering by G. P. U. of a plot on international scale aiming to overthrow the Soviet Government.

From the signed confession which appear in the indictment brought against eight well-known engineers occupying high official posts in various Soviet Institutions and also by the confessions which the convicts made publically before the Supreme Court of the Soviet Union which is hearing the case in Moscow at present, there is no doubt of the gravity of the conspiracy not only for the existence of the Soviet Union but also for the peace of the world at large. Almost all of the convicts pleaded guilty and gave many interesting informations regarding the origin and activities of their organization called "Engineers Centre of Industrial party."

LARGE NUMBER INVOLVED.

According to the confession of the convicts there exists not only a nation wide, systematic plot to destroy the economic development of the Soviet Union, but this conspiracy has the support of the influential White Guard's organizations abroad and involves high officials in the French, Polish, Rumanian and other governments Although only the ring-leaders have been arrested, it is stated that more than two thousand persons are involved in that conspiracy to undermine Soviet efficiency in all branches of industry, and to stir up internal strife preparatory to armed intervention from abroad.

The aim and object of the "Industrial Party" which was organized in 1926 as stated by the convicts themselves was to develop a definite plan for the overthrow of the Soviet Government with the help of foreign armies and the substitution of a monarchical or democratic government which would restore industry and land to their former owners and give full sway to the development of a capitalistic economic system. The Cabinet proposed, included some of the Old Generals of the Tzarist army including Denikin because it was decided by the conspirators to establish military dictatorship in the beginning.

Several of the convicts stated that the "Industrial party" had the full backing and aid of a group of prominent internationally known financiers, polititions and military autnorities from several of the leading countries of Europe that M. Poincare and M. Briand were personally connected with the plotters and had indicated their support and sympathy, and that they claimed prominent capitalists and personalities interested in the restoration of capitalism in Russia were also active supporters of the conspiracy. Besides a budget of ten lakhs of Roubels annually was raised for carrying on of counter revolutionary work within the country which was divided among the groups working for the destruction of the various branches of industry.

ORIGINAL PLAN.

The original plan was to bring about a military attack against the Soviet Union as far back as 1928, but because of the inability of the conspirators to stir up troubles within the country the attack was postponed until 1930 or 1931. The present year proved singularly unfavourable because of the economic crises in almost all the capitalist countries and on the other hand Soviet industry had been strengthened rapidly. Moreover the unearthing of the sabotage activities in the textile, gold-mining, ship-building, coal-mines and machine building industries and the conviction of the leaders also proved a great set-back to the conspirators.

Professor Ramzin the leader of the "Industrial Party" stated before the Supreme Court that it was settled upon between his party, the similar party of the Russian former industrialists and traders having its centre in Paris called "Torgprom" and the General Staffs of various Foreign Governments to open an attack upon Soviet Union by Poland, Rumania and other border States equipped and directed by members of the French General Staff. The external attack was to be accompanied by rebellion within the country and a combine attack upon Moscow and Leningrad by White Guards Armies. The money for this vast undertaking according to the statement of Ramzin and others, was to have been furnished, by deterding, the Governments of France and other foreign governments and former Russian industrialists.

The following are the ring-leaders of the "Industrial Party" which are being tried at present by the Supreme Court of USSR. in Moscow:—Ramzin, Palchinsky, Charnovsky, Hrennikov, Fedotov, Rabinovich, Krassovsky and Kalinnikov.

RAMZIN'S REPENTANCE.

While making confession before the Supreme Court Professor Ramzin said:—"Admitting my guilt in participating in a counter revolutionary organization the "Industrial Party" I completely and irrevocably cease all activities against the Soviet Government, throw down my arms and offer my sincere and whole-hearted repentance for the crimes which I have committed."

Another convict engineer Fedotov brought to light some interesting details regarding the price to be paid for the help by the foreign governments. "Charnovsky informed me" testified Fedotov, "that Ramzin had been forced to agree to certain concessions to foreign governments at the expense of Russia: part of the Caucasus where the oil wells are were to be ceded to foreign interests. Part of the right coast of Ukraine to Poland and France. To Berlin in 1928" he further added "Karpov informed me that France and Poland would expect to exploit the inner resources of Russia after the intervention of France through concessions to Poland by disposing of its goods there."

Bomb Explodes On Railway Station In Delhi.

DELHI, Dec. 26.

A bomb explosion occurred at the Delhi Central Railway station at noon to-day as a result of which three persons were seriously injured. It appears that some unclaimed luggage was lying in a second class waiting room consisting of a bedding and a sweater. The waiting room bearer took charge of it. While he was about to enter the lift a cigarette case (which contained a bomb) fell out of the sweater and exploded, blowing off both the arms of the lift boy who is not expected to live and seriously injuring two bearers. One person who was in the second class waiting room has been detained and the police who soon arrived on the scene have stopped access to the station.—A. P.

OVER 30 PERSONS INJURED.

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Police Lathi Charge At Coimbatore

CONGRESS MEETING DISPERSED.

MADRAS, Dec. 26.

Coimbatore.—About thirty volunteers and several members of the public were injured when the Police charged a crowd at the Congress meeting in Town Hall compound. The Police arrived on the scene as Sjt. Rajagopal, Camp Secretary was attempting to address the crowd and ordered them disperse.

On their refusal the Deputy Superintendent ordered a lathi charge. About 12 volunteers have been arrested for unlawful assembly.

Rao Bahadur C. S. Ratnasabhapati Mudaliar, Municipal Chairman Mr. R. K. Shanmukam Chetty M.L.A. and other prominent citizens of Coimbatore have convened a public meeting in the evening to condemn police action.

CAWNPORE SEVA DAL DECLARED UNLAWFUL

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Instigation Ordinance For 30 U. P. Districts

LUCKNOW, Decr. 25.

A "Gazette Extraordinary" published to-day announce that Unlawful Instigation (Second) Ordinance has been extended to all the thirty districts in the United Provinces where the first Ordinance was in force. These include Lucknow, Cawnpore, Allahabad, Agra and Meerut Districts.

Another "Gazette" notifies the Hindusthan Seva Dal of Cawnpore as an unlawful association under Section 16 of the Criminal Law Amendment Act.—A. P.

INDIANS ARRESTED ON SUSPICIONS

RANGOON, Decr. 26.

Two Indians Sher Mahomed and Manickam were arrested last evening. The former was found to be in possession of one revolver and twenty-four rounds of cartridges. Their movements in the Secretariat compound raised suspicion of the C. I. D. who seized those articles.—A. P.

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PUBLIC HEALTH IN EUROPE.

Review Of Post-War Progress.

(By LOUIS I. DUBLIN).

Improvement in public health on the Continent of Europe has been marked since the World War. In the following article the statistician of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company records achievements of the last ten years and describes some of the health problems observed during a visit made this Summer.

A REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENT.

Everywhere on the Continent of Europe to-day there is an awakened interest in the health of the common people. The great campaigns which have been so successful in prolonging life in the United States, in England and a few other countries have begun to take hold very generally. This is possibly one of the consequences of the great war. Popular leaders and public officials now realize that there is no better way to raise the standards of life and to make good the losses which the several nations incurred in the terrible struggle.

In some of the countries the changes for the better in the last ten or twelve years are almost revolutionary in character. Those who saw conditions as they were immediately after the war can hardly believe that such great improvement could occur in so short a period. The public health movement is now an integral part of a broad social programme to make life easier to bear, and richer and fuller for the masses of Europe.

PREVIOUS GAINS WIPED OUT.

The World War had a devastating effect on every progressive movement in Europe-social, economic and sanitary. The gains of the previous half century were wiped out in many of the belligerent countries. The losses in human life were by no means limited to the battle-fields. The whole population, and especially women, children and old people, suffered from bitter hardships and from deprivations of the necessities of life. This was reflected in greatly increased general death rates, but especially in the prevalence of the tuberculosis.

In fact, in some countries, tuberculosis rose in the last years of the war to two and even three times the normal rate, which was already high by our standards. This disease swept Europe like a plague. Infant mortality rose rapidly and decimated the youngsters who in the last years of the struggle were born in very small numbers. But even worse was the outbreak of pernicious malaria and of other infections, due to war conditions and especially to the concentration of populations in the cities. Writes Louis I. Dublin in the "New York Times."

It must be remembered that during the war and for several years thereafter it was practically impossible to build new homes or to replace those shattered in the destructive military campaigns which had swept the various countries. The financial inflation which increased prices of materials made matters worse. Finally, the famines in Russia, in Germany, and in Austria, and the widespread epidemic of typhus fever, which threatened to inundate all of Europe, seemed like the last straw which would break the old civilizations in Central and Eastern Europe.

No wonder that at the beginning of the last decade Europe showed a most unfavourable picture of the public health. Death rates were inordinately high. In almost all of the warring countries they were higher than the birth rates, so that numerically the nations were going backward rather than forward.

MEASURES OF PROGRESS.

This was the kind of foundation on which the health authorities of the European countries had to build. Well have they accomplished their task in the short period which has elapsed. In some of the nations, marvels have been accomplished. The epidemic diseases resulting from the war have practically disappeared. Cholera has been entirely absent from Europe since 1921. The occurrence of the plague is now confined to a few sporadic cases in Greece and to the steppes near the Caspian Sea. The prevalence of typhus and of smallpox has been reduced to a minimum and these diseases are no longer a serious public health menace. The common diseases of childhood have been reduced to their normal fluctuations.

It is a fair statement to say that over a large area of Europe the condition of the public health has never been better, and the outlook for the future is very promising indeed.

The countries of Europe, from the point of view of the public health, may be divided into two groups. There are first those where there has been a good sanitary tradition and where health conditions have been generally satisfactory. These include England and Wales, Germany, Austria, the Scandinavian countries and Holland. They all had developed good health organizations which continued to function in the war period. Even though the hardships and maladjustments incidental to the conflict raised mortality rates, once the war was over the excellence of the health departments and the co-operation of the people soon brought conditions back to normal.

It is, therefore, not all surprising to find the public health favourable in these countries. The death rate in only one of them, namely, Austria, was more than 12 per 1,000 during the last five-year period, and in Holland it actually fell below 10. This is an extraordinary achievement in view of the fact that the death rates for the United States have varied around 12 per 1,000 during these years.

Possibly the gains in Germany are as striking as anywhere. In the five years previous to the war the rate was 16.6 per 1,000. In 1928, which is the last year for which figures are available, the rate had fallen to 11.6, one of the lowest in Europe. Translated into more intelligible figures, this means that in the short period since the war the expectation of life of the German people has been extended by more than eight years. It is in this very effective way that the German nation has set about to make good the enormous losses in human life which it suffered in the Great War.

But there is another and larger group of countries where conditions are not quite so good. They have no public health tradition, and such effort as they have made is only of very recent origin. These are the countries of Southern, Central and especially of Eastern Europe. For them effective public health organization is still a matter for the future, although they too have made very real strides in the last ten years.

FRANCE'S LACK OF INTEREST.

Strange as it may seem, France must be included in this group of countries. For some strange never taken hold with much enthusiasm among the French people. Before the war the death-rate was in excess of 18 per 1,000, a figure which has been reduced to 16.5 in 1928. But this figure is obviously too high for a country with the high civilization of France. The rate is even higher in Spain, being above 18.

In Italy there is much evidence of recent improvement, with a rate around 15.6. But in Rumania the death rate is still in excess of 20; in Hungary it is 17.5 which is pretty close to the figure for other countries in Central Europe. Soviet Russia suffers from the highest published rate in Europe, namely, 22.9 deaths per 1,000 of population. It is unfortunate that as to a number of nations it is, still impossible to quote an accurate figure, for either birth rates or death rates.

As in the United States, the public health programme in Europe simmers down to a consideration of a number of particular situations which must be brought under control. There is first and foremost the reduction of infant mortality. It is during the first year of life that the greatest losses occur in all countries, and it is in this age period, too, that the greatest gains can be achieved through sanitation and the improvement in the general condition of the people. Taken altogether, there has been a marked lowering of infant mortality, which has gone hand in hand with the decline in the birth rate since the war.

A FAVOURABLE POINT OF ATTACK.

To reduce infant mortality to a low level appeals especially to public health officials because of the relative ease with which it can be done. This is especially desirable at the present time because of the fall in the birth rate. A sizable increase of the population can be brought about in this way with less effort than formerly when birth rates and infant mortality rates were both high. It is interesting to observe that in some places in Europe results have been achieved which are as good as any in the world. In Geneva and in Berne, for example, the infant mortality rates have been reduced to about 3 per cent., which is close to the very lowest on record. These figures show how wasteful of life are those in authority where six or seven times as many infants die proportionately in the course of a year.

Deaths from tuberculosis have declined, but on the whole the decrease has been much smaller in Europe than in America in the same period. The only European country which has now as low a tuberculosis mortality as the United States is Denmark, where the figure, 75 per 100,000 of population is practically the same as for the United States. It is interesting to observe how this country excels in every social effort.

Good results in this regard have been achieved by several other countries. The tuberculosis rates, for example, in Holland, in Germany and in Great Britain are around 90. On the other hand, the rates are still very high in Hungary, in Czechoslovakia, in Estonia and in France. The figures are close to 200 per 100,000 and remind one of the nineteenth rather than of the twentieth century.

THE TURN SINCE THE WAR.

But in all of the countries there has been much improvement since the close of the war, when tuberculosis was extremely prevalent. It is difficult for us in America to realize how serious was the outbreak of this disease in the years immediately following the war. It will take some time before the effects of that catastrophe have been entirely overcome.

Typhoid fever is probably the disease apart from smallpox, against which public health work in Europe has been most successful. There is really no reason under present conditions why people should die from typhoid fever. If water supplies are safeguarded and a proper system for the disposal of human wastes provided, people will not suffer from this condition at all. Accordingly, we find in many old centres of civilization, as in Northern, Western and Central Europe, that typhoid fever is rarer than it is in the United States.

Many large Continental cities have been free of this disease for many years. In Southern and Eastern Europe, however, the situation is much less satisfactory. Rates are particularly high in Spain, Italy and in the Balkans. A number of large cities still suffer from a very serious typhoid problem. These include Belgrade in Yugoslavia, Barcelona in Spain Vilna in Poland, Genoa and Milan in Italy and Leningrad in Russia. The plains of the Po in Northern Italy and of the Ebro in Spain are among the districts worst infected with this disease.

SMALL-POX AND INFUENZA.

The reduction of smallpox on the European Continent has been truly remarkable.

Influenza is certainly the most important of all epidemic diseases in Europe, but also the disease for which statistics are most unreliable. Europe was visited by a serious influenza epidemic during the Winter 1926-27, and by a still more severe one in the early part of 1929. The 1929 epidemic caused an increase of the death rate in most European countries; it was little felt, however, in Eastern Europe. It caused 15,012 deaths in 107 large English towns, and 7,722 deaths in forty-seven large German towns as compared with 3,429 and 1,956 deaths, respectively, in 1928. This was by far the most severe outbreak since 1918. The past Winter, on the contrary, has been usually favourable in regard to this disease, and lower case returns have not been reported during the last ten years.

HEALTH, A SERIOUS CONSIDERATION.

The most encouraging feature in the present situation is that the governments of Europe are taking very seriously their responsibility for the public health. Especially is this true of the countries of the second group, whose health organization is still in a rudimentary state. It is interesting to see the variety of efforts which are being made by the various countries. In Greece, for example, Premier Venizelos himself has taken great pains to bring about a reorganization of the health service. Two years ago he called upon the League of Nations to survey the situation and to bring in a plan which could be applied to his country.

After many months' work on the spot, a group of internationally known leaders drew up a programme which is gradually being put into operation. A number of the experts were loaned by the League of Nations and by the Rockefeller Foundation to head the several health divisions. A school for the training of health officers and public health nurses is ready to begin operations. The country is being divided into a large number of districts, each to be in charge of a full time and well paid officer.

THE RUMANIAN SITUATION.

In Rumania matters have not progressed as far, although there are indications of serious interest in that direction. King Carol and his Ministers are well aware of the importance of good public health organization and are lending their personal support toward that end. It is hoped to build an institute of hygiene, which will train health officers and public health nurses. One or two health demonstration units are in operation. Much the same situations exists in Czechoslovakia. In both countries the difficulty seems to be the lack of a sufficient number of technically qualified health officers and the absence of any public health tradition.

Poland and Hungary, on the other hand, are making rapid strides toward excellent health organizations. In Italy Premier Mussolini has lent his personal influence to help eradicate malaria. Tuberculosis dispensaries are rapidly being extended over the country and a new institution for the training of health officers will soon be in operation.

Back of this movement for better public health in Europe stand two bodies, namely, the International Health Division of the Rockefeller Foundation and the Health Section of the League of Nations. The latter is a well-organized division, composed of capable sanitarians who are at the call of each of the countries. More and more will this section function and as a service centre for this countries of Europe.

WORK OF THE LEAGUE.

Interchanges of health officers arranged for by the League result in spreading the latest technical information and the best administrative methods from the more advanced to the more backward countries. A stream of friendly guidance emanates from the League which should in another decade be translated into much better health service all over the Continent. It is gratifying for Americans to know that the financial support of the Rockefeller Foundation makes possible much of the effort of the League of Nations in the field of public health.

But, after all is said and done, health conditions in Central and Eastern Europe will continue to lag behind the best standards so long as the social and economic situation of these countries continues along present lines. In these countries the common people are extremely poor, and it is apparently taken for granted that this poverty is inevitable. Wages are low and the standards of life are correspondingly at a low level. Under such conditions sanitary improvements and better public health are seriously hampered.

The first and perhaps the most essential step to free the people of Europe from disease and to make their lives longer and more bearable will be to lighten the curse of poverty which now lies so heavily on them. American health workers do not always realize how much easier their tasks are made for them by the fact that they have not only large funds at their disposal, but that they serve on the whole a well-fed, well-housed, literate and happy people.—(Quarterly Journal of the Local Self-Government Institute.)

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MENTAL PROPHYLAXIS.

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Its Causes And Cure.

FRENCH DOCTOR ON ITS TREATMENT

A new development in the treatment of mental diseases, which started in the United States more than 30 years ago, known as mental prophylaxis, was described to a Chicago "Tribune" reporter by Dr. Edouard Toulouse, medical director of the Henri Rousselle Hospital of Psychiatry in Paris.

Mental prophylaxis, which amounts to prevention of insanity, when possible, by facilitating free consultation and treatment without the usual formalities required by law and the stigma of a public order of detention is the offshoot of Clifford W. Beers' efforts in 1909 when he founded the National League of Mental Hygiene to improve the conditions of the insane in asylums and prevent insanity by the adoption of a eugenical prenuptial examination.

In Dr. Toulouse's clinic in Paris which the French Senate is now considering recognizing officially, a free service of mental prophylaxis is giving including free consultation and treatment without any restriction such as a medical certificate, a public order or an order for internment during treatment.

"The clinic" Dr. Toulouse said, "was founded after a long fight against red tape and social prejudice which decreese that once a person is mentally unsound he should be locked away where he can do no harm to society often in an asylum under conditions which bring on incurable insanity in a patient who once might have been saved and might have taken his place safely and usefully in society again.

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TRAGEDY OF NEGLECT.

"I call it the tragedy of the mind that a society which is built up, maintained and progresses by the function of the mind should take fewer steps toward prevention of insanity than for other social illnesses, such as cancer, tuberculosis and syphilis.

"Society must remember that insanity is frequent, more frequent than venereal disease or cancer and is only exceeded by tuberculosis. Insanity attacks society's most useful part, the brain workers, with a few exceptions. Yet madness is curable to the same extent as physical illness. A mentally sick man after a crisis of several months may be cured and recommence a useful life. An example of this was the case of Auguste Comte, the great philosopher, whose greatest works were produced after he had been cured of insanity.

"The principal causes of insanity are heredity, syphilis and alcoholism. These factors create a suitable soil in which slight weaknesses such as mental strain or emotion take root easily and grow into insanity.

START WITH CHILDREN.

"Mental prophylaxis starts at the beginning in childhood when possible. Children should be examined for signs of mental weakness and treated accordingly. Beer's League of Mental Hygiene advocates a pre-nuptial examination. Psychiatry can then establish a regime of life for the weak.

"But mental prophylaxis or hygiene should not only be a preventative, it should go farther and adapt the mental activity to the conditions of actual life. This adaptation is the principal factor in individual happiness and collective progress. Every effort of progress rests on the human brain the preservation of which is necessary if human progress is to continue."

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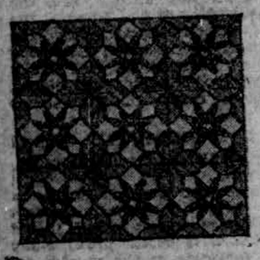

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Greatest Achievement Of Modern Times

PITTSBURGH, (By Mail).

A declaration that prohibition is the greatest achievement of modern times, and that if a referendum were conducted 65 per cent of the nation's citizens would vote for continuation of the Eighteenth Amendment, was made by the Rev. Dr. Mark W. Mathews Seattle at a mass meeting at which several speakers defended prohibition in all its aspects.

Dr. Mathews, the well-known apostle of prohibition, asserted that all persons who advocated repeal of the dry law were motivated either by a desire for gain or by their "appetites." He accused those who seek repeal ostensibly for the promotion of temperance of insincerity.

Nearly 3,000 men and women of the business, social, educational and religious world crowded the auditorium of Soldiers' Memorial Hall.

Dr. Mathews described liquor as "an evil that is indescribable in its horrible consequences, and added:

"The Eighteenth Amendment was not put into the Constitution by coercion, but by the deliberate overwhelming vote of the Legislatures of this country. * * *

"Prohibition under the Eighteenth Amendment did not produce the bootlegger. He began to thrive in Massachusetts and other parts of this country 250 years ago. * * * He was the product of the light wine and beer regime of 150 years ago. He existed before prohibition; he continues to exist under prohibition about 15,000 speakes in Pennsylvania.

Dr. Mathews also read from an editorial in the same newspaper on Nov. 15, 1900, saying that retail liquor dealers were informed that there were 2,300 unlicensed liquor dealers in Alleghany County.

Dr. Mathews further asserted that prohibition did not originate home brew.

Concerning the "benefits" that prohibition has produced he said:

"In 1914 we consumed 2,252,272,765 gallons of wine, beer and distilled spirits. In 1920, six years afterward, we consumed only practically 2,000,000,000 gallons. In 1930, sixteen years afterward we consumed about 2,000,000 gallons, a reduction of 300,000,000 gallons in ten years.

"The best research opinion is that the cost of drink to the people of the United States for the four years prior to prohibition was (conservatively estimated) dol. 2,000,000,000 per year—that is, taking the price of beer at 5 cents per glass and whisky at 15 cents per glass, the price paid for these liquors about this time. This is counting the bill on the amount of liquor produced during the years 1914 to 1919 in the United States."

He then quoted from a report of the American Bankers' Association in 1929 on bank deposits and industrial insurance. This report showed that from 1912 to 1916 there were approximately 12,375,000 bank depositors and their per capita savings were dol. 90.

From 1922 to 1926 the bank depositors totalled approximately 46,750,000 and their per capita savings were dol. 188. From 1914 to 1919 industrial insurance amounted to dol. 5,000,000,000 from 1920 to 1925 it amounted to dol. 12,000,000,000.

Dr. Mathews pointed out that a dry nation is a consuming nation, adding that this country would not have on deposit today practically dol. 30,000,000 if it were not a prohibition nation.

"INSULTING DOG."

Labour M. P. And Earl's Denial.

LONDON (By Mail.)

Earl Winterton (C. Horsham and Worthing), whose face Mr. C. J. Simmonds (Lab., Erdington) flicked with an order paper during Thursday's censure debate, made a statement in the House denying that he called Mr. Snowden an "insulting dog"—the supposed provocation for Mr. Simmonds's action.

"I assert with the utmost emphasis," Lord Winterton said that there is not the slightest foundation for the allegation that I used any phrase or anything resembling it."

Mr. Simmonds said:

"My impression of the words heard was very clear. My impression of the fact that I heard him use the words I complained of is beyond a shadow of doubt as far as I am concerned.

"I can only say, therefore, that I interpret the noble Lord's remarks as an expression of his desire to dissociate himself from the words complained of and that the expression would have had more weight and value had it been made at the proper time."

The Speaker said a personal explanation of the kind made by Lord Winterton was always accepted by the House without reservation. Considerable noise was going on at the time of the alleged remark and he was afraid some mistake was made.

"I hope it will be forgotten," added the Speaker.

SINO SOVIET CONFERENCE

Russia Satisfied With China's Act.

MOSCOW, Nov. 10—(Mengo)—M Karakhan has addressed the following letter to Mr. Mo Te-hui, head of the Chinese delegation at the Sino-Soviet conference:—

"In connection with the various conversations which took place between us, especially in connection with our conversations of November 6 when we discussed the method of removing obstacles to the further work of the Sino-Soviet conference and also in view of the request of Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang on October 29 to inform him how to remove obstacles in the way of successful progress of the conference. I beg to inform you of the following:

"The Government of the USSR has insisted on the fulfilment, without fail, of the obligations which the Chinese Government took upon themselves in accordance with the Habarovsk protocol, as only this could secure peaceful and goodneighbority relations and normal work on the Chinese Eastern Railway, as well as the successful progress of the Soviet-Chinese conference in Moscow. The Chinese Government in extending authority to the Chinese delegate to this conference by doing so, fulfilled their obligations in accordance with the Habarovsk protocol in part by referring to the volume of the work to be done by the conference.

"By its Note of October 9, Mukden, by confirming the obligations which the Chinese party took upon themselves in accordance with the Habarovsk protocol in relation to the White Guards again emphasized its readiness to take measures against the activities of the White Guards directed against the interests of the USSR on the Chinese Eastern Railway and to intensify the relations between the USSR and China.

"Finally, the present regime of the C. E. R. shows that, in the part relation to the railway, China is generally fulfilling her obligations in accordance with the Habarovsk protocol.

"The articles of the Habarovsk protocol relating to employes and workers on the C. E. R., the restoration of the consulates of the USSR and the security of the normal work of Soviet economic organizations have also been fulfilled.

"Therefore, so far as the main points of the Habarovsk protocol are concerned these may be considered as fulfilled and so far as you declared at our conversation of November 6 that there are not, and cannot be, any doubts of the necessity for the preservation of the regime of the C. E. R. in accordance with the Peking-Mukden treaties and the Habarovsk protocol, the Government of the USSR sees no obstacles in the way of the Soviet-Chinese conference starting immediately the discussion of concrete questions regarding the C. E. R., trade, diplomatic relations, etc.

"Thus, in so far as the present situation on the C. E. R. is not altered by a change or regime in the C. E. R. or mutual agreement or by the purchase of the railway by the Chinese republic, the present situation on the C. E. R. on the strength of the Peking Mukden treaties, should not be altered by the onesided action or freewill of any party.

"The much-to-be-regretted conflict of 1929 is a convincing proof, I think, for the necessity of observing this position of both Governments. I hope this proposition of the USSR, dictated with a sincere desire to continue successfully and to finish the work of the Soviet-Chinese conference by creating the form of a normal basis for friendly and good relations between both countries, will be accepted by the Government of the Chinese republic."

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CURE FOR TRADE DEPRESSION.

Ford Advocates High Wages

NEW YORK—Henry Ford blames the present industrial depression on business men who watched the stock market instead of their business, and believes the cure lies in quantity production and intensive marketing of high-class goods.

The automobile wizard outlines his opinions in a book, "Moving Forward," published Oct. 2 by Doubleday, Doran and Co. He predicts that in 1950 the American workingman will get a minimum wage of $27 a day, advocates high wages as one of the fundamental laws of business, and says genuine overproduction has never existed.

In regard to wages, however, Mr. Ford believes that while a man has a right to work, his right to a job depends on his ability to render valuable service. He says belief that a company owes a living to those who work for it is based on "our traditional conception of master and servant."

"Indeed, many worthy people cannot comprehend any other relation, and during those periods when the men who should be leading business fail to lead and consequently work is slack the cry 'Give men jobs' arises," says Mr. Ford. "Everyone would recognize the absurdity of employers parading bearing signs 'Gives us orders.' There is essentially no difference between the actual position of the employer and the employee."

The book, written in collaboration with Samuel Crowther says the fundamentals of business are: first, to make more and better goods as cheaply as possible and force them on the market; second to strive always for higher quality and lower prices and costs; third, to raise wages gradually and continuously and never to cut them; and, fourth, to get the goods to the consumer economically so he may benefit by low-cost production.

The carrying out of these modern business laws requires much more leadership than did the old production, Mr. Ford says. He believes that was why interest in the 1929 stock market brought disaster.

"The true occasion for alarm was deeply hid," he says. "It consisted in the complete stoppage of improvement in quality of goods and in methods of manufacture, which in turn causes a stoppage in the increasing value of the purchasing money. There is bound to come a time when things are offered for sale at so much more than they are worth that the public will hesitate to buy them and then will stop buying altogether and may even fall into a panic about what it has bought.

"No one has yet been born who can manage both to manipulate the market for its stock and also do business in such a way that it will be profitable. The two do not and cannot mix.

"The immediate cure for depression, and by depression I mean a period when men are out of work and not able to improve their standards of living is told in one word—quantities of goods pushed out into the world. But it is not enough simply to manufacture goods. There is no service in simply setting up a machine or a plant and letting it turn out goods. The service extends into every detail of the design, the making, the wages paid, and the selling price."

TAKING THE RISK!

Equipping Liquor Plant While U. S. A. Has Gone Dry.

OCONOMOWOC Wis., Oct. 14.—Fred Pabst sr. head of the Milwaukee brewing concern bearing his name announces that nearly $1,000,000 worth of equipment for making legalized beer is installed in his company's plant.

The new equipment will be held in readiness to start the manufacture of beer on short notice he said. It is being housed in a building unused since prohibition, remodelled for the purpose.

"It is risky, I know," Mr. Pabst said. "However, public opinion is a pretty good barometer. It is my own opinion that beer will return in the not distant future and I am willing to take a chance—so willing in fact that I have staked almost a million dollars on my opinion. I want to be prepared."

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COOKED FOODS SHORTEN LIFE

Produce Poisons In The Blood

(By Mail.)

Paris.—In cooking most of his food, modern man does not merely deprive his diet of certain health properties that only uncooked food contains, but actually shortens his span of life by poisoning himself.

This is the startling verdict of Dr. Paul Rouchakoff, who has submitted to the Pasteur Institute a report on important research work he has been conducting at Nice.

In this report he contends that man ought to have an average span of life of 140 to 160 years, if only he could be persuaded to cease from making his food toxic by cooking it. The doctor's theory is based largely on a series of blood tests. he has found that after cooked foods have been eaten there is an immediate increase of white corpuscles in the blood stream, whereas no such increase is observed after the consumption of raw food.

BRAIN ON BODY.

The cooking of the food, he argues, therefore causes the development of certain poisons, which necessitate an increase in the number of white corpuscles required to eliminate them. Thus a great drain is put upon the body's reserve of strength and resistance, which is wasted in fighting the toxins voluntarily absorbed.

One of the doctor's collaborations here, discussing the theory, said he saw no reason why, with attention to the dietary and hygienic laws now being laid down by science, we should not very greatly increase the length of our lives.

A great many people who consult doctors for digestive and other troubles are surprised to learn that most of the foods they like best are bad for them and that the things which the doctor sets out on the diet chart are those which they believe they can not eat or drink.

Thus there are many people to whom milk in large quantities would be a most valuable article of diet, but they cannot drink it without suffering stomach pain, sickness or fever.

VACCINE MEALS.

Professor Besredka, of the Pasteur Institute, has now changed all that. Those upon whom eggs, milk, fish and wine act almost as poison, may absorb them without the least inconvenience if one hour before each meal they will take what the doctor describes as a "vaccine meal."

It is a question, says the professor, of preparing the stomach or what it is to receive much in the way that vaccines prepare the blood to meet the attacks of microbes.

His suggestion is that a patient who can not tolerate milk, for instance should one hour before his meal-time take about a tablespoon of milk. An hour later he will be able to take without the least inconvenience as much as three pints of it.

The same thing applies to eggs These can be easily digested if one hour before they are eaten in any quantity the patient has one tablespoon of raw egg. Many people find that the eating of strawberries produces a rash and abdominal pains. They may enjoy their strawberries if they will eat only one at first and then indulge their appetities an hour later.

VITAMIN DISCOVERY REPORTED BY FRANCE

High Concentrate Of Vitamin B.

Production of a high concentrate of vitamin B, reported to have been accomplished by Dr. Atherton Seidell, of the National Institute of Health, Public Health Service, in experiments in France, would be an extremely important step forward in the study of the nature of vitamins and their production, it was stated orally Oct. 3 at the Institute. No information is available at the institute, however, on the accuracy of the reports of Dr. Seidell's accomplishment, it was added.

Research designed to isolate vitamins has been carried on by medical specialists for years, with a view to analysis of the isolated specimen to determine whether it is a chemical, possibly a new element, or a force in the material isolated, it was stated. The following information also was given orally at the institute.

SPECIMEN NOT ISOLATED.

No completely isolated specimen of a vitamin has yet been obtained, and it is not known what vitamins actually are. A high degree of concentration has been obtained but the sample always has been mixed with other materials which affect chemical analysis so that the composition of the vitamin alone cannot be told.

When a pure sample of a vitamin is produced, it can be subjected to chemical analysis, and it probably will be possible to make artificially a product of the same composition chemically. If this gives the same results in health work as the vitamin produced by nature, it should be possible to make the vitamins at low cost and distribute them in the localities where they are most needed.

One of the chief effects of lack of vitamins in this country is the 100,000 cases of pellagra in the South annually. These could all be prevented by a plentiful and cheap source of the specific vitamin the lack of which causes the disease to develop.

WORK OF INSTITUTE.

Dr. Seidell's reported accomplishment would be a step toward isolation of the vitamins, which would be the basis for which would be the basis for research which might have practical results. It is not known, however, at the institute just what his work has been. Vitamin B, as originally discovered, has been proved to be made up of at least two distinct vitamins, and possibly three. Because of confused nomenclature in the study of vitamins, it is uncertain wnether the "vitamin B" referred to is the compound or one of the separate vitemins which have been found to make up the original vitamin B.

The institute is carrying on experiments on the effect of the presence and absence of various vitamins in the diet, but it is not at present trying to isolate vitamins.

Women Hold Public Posts

HONOLULU.—Fifty women are, or have recently been, in government service in Hawaii, according to a survey made for the Pan-Pacific women's conference.

Among them is Mrs. Jeannette A. Hyde, one of the first women to become Collector of Customs in the United States. The position in Honolulu is important because of the considerable amount of foreign trade enterine Honolulu harbour. Mrs. Hyde has held the position for some years, coming to Honolulu from Salt Lake City.

WOMEN HOLD EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

Three other women have executive positions with the Federal Government here. One is Mrs. Elizabeth Poindexter, disbursement officer in the Prohibition Department. At one time due to the absence from the Territory of her superiors, Mrs. Poindexter was acting prohibition administrator for Hawaii.

The other two women in Federal service are Mrs. Guri T. Lomnes, chairman and secretary of the Civil Service Board for Hawaii, and Mrs. Margaret Duncan, disbursing officer of the lighthouse service.

The territorial government has a considerable number of women officials, both in paid positions and on governmental boards. Among those in paid positions is Mrs. E. C. Thomas, private secretary to the Governor, the first of her sex to hold this position. Miss M. Hester Lamon, registrar general of the Board of Health, and Miss May Weir, secretary of the Board of Health, are among veterans of territorial service.

Two women holding rather unusual positions for their sex are Mrs. Faith Axtell, computer in the territorial Survevor's department, and Mrs. Hannah Mathews, secretary in charge of inquests.

There are women on a number of boards, including Mrs. C. W. Spitz on the Board of Prison Inspectors, and several women on the Board of Industrial Schools. There have been a woman deputy attorney general and a woman deputy city and country attorney.

Few women have attempted to run for elective positions, although Mrs. Rosalie Kellinol served in the lower house of the Legislature two sessions ago.

How Ghosting Is Done In Movies

NEW YORK.—"Ghosting," in the language of the studios, means doubling in voice for a star and the practice, according to the engineers, is used only in making foreign language talkies. There is no intention of faking on the part of the talkies, it was declared, the doubling being done to meet the foreign demand for recognized stars, speaking the language of the country in which the picture is shown.

These engineers are the fellows who are responsible for the apparent amazing multi-lingual talent of some of our American stars. When a popular movie heroine speaks in German, French, English and Spanish with never a mistake in word or accent, someone is doubling for her.

The secret, according to G. Lewin of the Paramount-Publix Corporation, lies in the practice of the synchronizing another's voice with the lip movement of the screen actor. Mr. Lewin was quick to explain that the voices heard in the theatres of this country are those of the originals.

The talkies marked the end of the inexpert in the movie business, according to the engineers, who produced a statistical report showing that 80 per cent of the hords of amateur scenario writers of the silent days have dropped out as contributors.

The best method of meeting an ever-growing foreign competition was one of the most serious questions before the convention.

The plan of importing foreign language actors or to actually make the pictures in the country in which they are to be shown, was considered the best bet. An American company already actually is producing pictures in thirteen languages and another has a studio for short subjects just outside Paris.

ST. XAVIER'S SOCIAL GATHERING.

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To The Editor of "The Chronicle".

Sir,—It has been a convention in the St. Xavier's College for the last 12 years to celebrate a Hindu-Muslim Social gathering annually. This year, it was decided by the managing committee of the Hindu association to drop this function. For some reason or the other this proposal was not welcomed by a particlar section of the students. So they sent a requisition to the President of the Association to call a meeting of the general body. The President, in accordance with the rules, called a meeting of the Hindu students of the college, to know the general will, and it was decided at this meeting by a small majority to hold the gathering this year. And so they are going to have their social gathering. I am not sure, but I have heard, that the majority of the members of the managing committee, including all the ladies and the president are thinking of resigning. I hope that the Xavierites may still reconsider the matter.

In case the gathering is held. I would beseech at least those of my friends, who have some self-respect and love for their country, to boycott this year's gathering completely.—Yours, etc.

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Bombay City And Suburbs

TO-DAY.

S. S. "Kaiser-i-Hind" with English mails sails at 1 p.m.

TO-DAY'S INDIAN RADIO PROGRAMME: 12 NOON.

Gramophone Records.

7 P. M.: Varerkar Mama's Children's Stories.

9-20 P. M.: Saraswatibaai's Vocal Music.

MUSIC AT SIR P. M. MEHTA'S GARDEN.

A concert of Indian Music organised by the Municipality will be given at the Sir P. M. Mehta Garden, Malabar Hill, on Sunday, the 28th instant from 5 to 7 p.m. (S. T.) by Mr. K. D. Tendulkar of Shri Krishna Vidyalaya, Dadar.

"THE LAW OF CYCLES."

A free public lecture on this subject will be given to-morrow (Sunday) evening at 6 o'clock in the Hall of the United Lodge of Theosophists, 51, Esplanade Road.

SHRADDHANAND WEEK

There will be a meeting to-day (Saturday) at 8 p.m. in the Nappu Hall, Matunga, (G.I.P.). The second meeting will be held near Panch Khaira (oppo. Khatav Mills) Haines Road, Byculla, at the same time; and the third one in Samshu Kamathi's Chawl, Currey Rd., at the same time.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS

The outward P. and O. Mail Steamer "Naldera" with the mails from London of the 18th instant arrived at Port Said at 9 a.m. on the 24th instant and left there at 3-30 p. m. the same day.

The P. and O. Mail Steamer "Narkunda" arrived London on Thursday, the 25th instant.

The P. and O. Mail Steamer "Rawalpindi" with the mails from Bombay of 20th instant arrived at Aden at 11-30 a.m. on the 24th instant and left there at 4 p.m. the same day.

FLAG SALUTATION IN SANTACRUZ

National Flag Salutation Ceremony will be performed on Sunday (28th inst.) on the open ground just opposite Seth Podar School at 8 a.m. (S. T.)

PRAYER FOR SJT. VITHALBHAI PATEL

After saluting the Flag, a prayer will be conducted on the same place for the speedy recovery of Sjt. Vithalbhai Patel.

Bombay Prisoners In Trichy Released.

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TRICHINOPOLY, Decr. 23.

Messrs. Chintamani Ganesh Deshpande (Mahad), Colaba District, Bombay, and Bhargve Kiraz Patti, Nandurbar, West Khandesh, Satyagraha prisoners, who were serving their term of sentence in Trichy Central Jail, were released today.

The other day it was reported that Prof. Bhagavat was laid up with high fever, and was undergoing treatment in the Jail Hospital. It is now stated by the released prisoners that he has improved much, while Dr. Naik alone is reported to be suffering from fever.

SUBURBAN SWADESHI BAZAAR.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

(1) Dramatic Pieces by Robert Money High School Boys.
(2) Band.
(3) Lele's beautiful wax Model.
(4) Handcraft Electric train.
(5) Cafe National. Etc. 4 to 10 p.m. at Municipal Compound Bandra.

BIRTH DAY OF GURU GOVIND SINGH.

A public meeting will be held at Marwari Vidyalaya Sandhurst Road on Saturday in connection with the birthday of Guru Gobind Singh. S. Jodh Singh and other leaders will speak.

BOMBAY PRAJAKIYA MANDAL. ACTIVITIES.

Under the auspices of the above Mandal a public meeting will be held to-morrow (Sunday) as noted below:—

In the Maidan near Hanuman Mandir, Sion at 3 p.m.

Near Vithal Mandir, Vadala, at 5 p.m.

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PRESENT NATIONAL STRUGGLE.

Under the auspices of the Bombay Prajakiya Mandal, a public meeting will be held to-day (Saturday) at 8-30 p.m. (S.T.) on the Kamgar Maidan (Parel) where prominent speakers will speak on "The present National Struggle."

GURU GOBIND'S BIRTHDAY Procession In Bombay.

The Secretary, Sri Guru Singh Sabha, Bombay, writes:—

To celebrate the Anniversary of Sri Guru Gobind Singhji the tenth Guru of the Sikhs, a huge procession consisting of men and women, of all castes and creeds, started from the Sikh Temple, Frere Road at about 4 p.m.

The procession had hardly started on its way, when there appeared on the scene a Police Sergeant in uniform, with three Police men and began to make inquiries regarding the license for the Procession.

KAVIRAJ GANANATH SEN

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MADRAS, Dec. 26.

Kaviraj Gananath Sen of Calcutta arrived in Madras yesterday and left for Mysore overnight with a contingent of delegates, to preside over the session of the All-India Ayurvedic Conference meeting at Mysore tomorrow.—A. P.

TO PRAY FOR PT. MALAVIYA

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Big Procession And Meeting.

(From A Correspondent.)

DHULIA, Dec. 26.

A big procession was taken out here to-day in sympathy with Pt. Malaviya a prayer meeting attended by 3000 people was held at Moglaibazar for the Pandit's recovery Sjts. Appa Jawdekar Vaidya Khaladkar and Kshire delivered speeches. Liquer picketing and disobeying of Section 144 is vigorous.

NOBEL-PRIZE WINNER: SIR C. V. RAMAN.

'REVOLUTIONARY' IN CLASSICAL PHYSICS.

In connection with the award of Nobel Prize to Prof. Sir C. V. Raman, F. R. S. "Svenska Dagbladet," a Swedish daily of the 14th November, 1930, says:—

The scientific research work in India stands now-a-days very high. At the Calcutta University, which was founded in 1857, are besides Mr. Raman, several Physicists with world-known fame like Professor Debendra Mohan Bose Ghose, Prof. of Pure Physics, Prof. Phanindra Nath Ghosh, Ghosh, Professor of Applied Physics, etc. To the star class and the probable Nobel Prize candidates of the future belongs the Astrophysicist Prof. Megh Nad Saha of the Allahabad University.

In connection with the centenary celebration of the Academy of Science, Russia, Raman as representative of India passed through Upsala in 1925. At the celebration in Russia, the Soviet Government took the opportunity to show its great and strong sympathy with the Orient and the whole thing was directed against England. Raman proved himself fully equal to the occasion. He made an endless number of speeches which said absolutely nothing, but delivered with lively gestures banding his fist to the table making everybody roar with applause. After that he has been looked upon as a very temperamental and dangerous Bolshevik, although his active propaganda is only known to have been limited to his taking part in the revolution of classical Physics. But in this unbloody revolution, he has taken a most prominent part.

Latest Cotton Prices.

(Through the Cotton Information Bureau, 381, Ismail Building 2nd floor, Hornby Road, Fort Bombay.)

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MARCH 1931.

New York, Dec. 23.

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LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

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Liverpool, Dec. 26.

Liverpool market closed to-day.

BURMESE REBELS ATTACK POLICE.

2 Military Companies Rush To The Scene.

RANGOON, Dec. 26.

Further official report regarding the outbreak in Tharrawaddy says that the rebels are still encamped in the forests. One band of rebels surrounded Weywa bungalow on the edge of Pegu Yomas on the night of 24th December and surprised and and killed Mr. H. O. W. Fieldsclarke, forest engineer, who had arrived there for the night. The rebels are reported to have burnt the bungalow and taken Mr. Fieldsclarke's fire arms. Captain Rust and a party of military police who had gone apparently to try and find Mr. Fieldsclarke had a brush with the rebels, in which four rebels were killed and two captured, and two guns were recovered. Captain Rust was slightly wounded. There were no other casualties among the military police. Another police post at Yedaik was attacked by a large number of rebels at about dusk. The detachment after inflicting a number of casualties withdrew in the direction of Tharrawaddy during the night. The detachment had few casualties but a subdivisional police officer and a township officer are missing. A strong party under the Superintendent of Police has proceeded, this morning, to the scene of action. One company of 15th Punjabis was sent to Tharrawaddy last night and is being followed by Companies of the Buffs Regiment. In Insein district several rebels were captured on the 24th including one man believed to be the leader. One civil policeman was slightly wounded. The Deputy Commissioner of Police and the Police Superintendent of Insein, went yesterday to the scene of action from Okkan and it is believed have got into touch with the rebels.—A. P.

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MORE DETAILS ABOUT THARRAWADDY

Mr. Fields Clarke, Forest Engineer, who was killed by rebels was the younger brother of Mr. V. H. T. Fields Clarke, Deputy Conservator of Forests, Burma. The bungalow where the deceased was murdered is a Forest Bungalow. The deceased returned from leave this month and went on tour only a few days ago, starting from Tharrawaddy. He worked into the edge of Thonze forest reserve and then downward to Weywa and was not aware of trouble. Advices have been issued by Government to all Forest Officers about the outbreak but apparently the deceased had failed to get the messages. The deceased had a distinguished war record. He served in Bedfordshire Yeomanry in England in 1915/16, when he was sent to France and he served there until 1919. He was attached to Eighth Hussars from March 1918 until February 1919 and Third Hussars until November 1919. He joined service in Burma in 1920.—A. P.

LONDON BULLION MARKET

Considerable Decline In Silver.

Messrs. Samuel Montagu and Co. have issued the following weekly review dated London, 10th December:—

GOLD.

The Bank of England gold reserve against notes amounted to £124,648,010 on the 3rd instant (as compared with £156,568,589 on the previous Wednesday), and represents an increase of £8,668,726 since the 1st January last.

Bar gold from South Africa to the value of £953,000 arrived this week, but none of this was available in the open market yesterday as it had previously been sold forward to France.

The feature of the week has been the resumption of demand for gold on German account and there have been some withdrawals from the Bank of England for Germany. It is interesting to note that during the last two months it is estimated that about £12,000,000 of gold has been exported from Germany to France. Hence it can be readily understood that, with the sterling exchange moving in favour of Germany, that country should take the opportunity to replenish its stocks by withdrawing gold from London. As the Reichsbank is willing to accept standard gold as delivered by the Bank of England, refining has not been necessary.

The French demand for gold continues and movements at the Bank of England during the week show a net efflux of £3,054,214. Receipts totalled £81,179 and withdrawals consisted of £36,000 in sovereigns and £3,099,393 in bar gold. Of the latter, about £1,150,000 was for Germany and about £1,850,000 for France after refining.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of gold registered from mid-day on the 1st instant to mid-day on the 8th instant:—

Imports.

Brazil	£1,748,765
Spain	1,000,000
British South Africa	1,637,181
British West Africa	9,240
Straits Settlements and Dependencies	7,300
Australia	72,000
	£4,474,586

Exports.

France	£2,963,996
Germany	340,026
Switzerland	116,600
Spain	22,000
British India	11,185
Austria	9,975
Other Countries	4,962
	£3,468,745

The market has continued to be influenced by the weakness in Shanghai which developed further during the past week. China offered to sell freely, but offerings met with very little resistance and as a consequence the market has been easily depressed, prices showing a considerable decline from those ruling last week. The confidence in the market established during the recent steadiness has been shaken during the past two weeks; consequently there has been no disposition to buy, bear covering being practically the only source of support. America has been more disposed to sell in spite of the weaker tendency, and offerings from that quarter have been made freely on most afternoons.

The price fixed to-day for cash delivery was 15.7/16d., equalling the lowest recorded price for that delivery quoted on the 24th June last.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of silver registered from mid-day on the 1st instant to mid-day on the 8th instant:—

Imports.

British India	£49,624
Mexico	35,500
U. S. A.	22,113
Other Countries	5,670
	£112,907

Exports.

Hong Kong	£12,420
British India	4,380
France	3,635
Germany	9,600
Other Countries	1,504
	£30,539

Save The Sholapur Condemned.

WIRE TO BRITISH T. U. CONGRESS.

Mr. G. L. Kandalkar, President of the Bombay Girni Kamgar (Red Flag) Union has sent the following cablegram to the Secretary of the British Trades Union Congress, London:—

"The following resolution was passed at a public meeting of workers of Bombay held under the auspices of the Bombay Girni Kamgar (Red Flag) Union: 'This meeting raises vehement protest against death sentences passed on Kurban Hussain and three others in connection with the Sholapur riots, as, in its opinion, the sentences are inhuman and vindictive. The meeting damands the immediate release of the convicted men.' We call upon the British Trades Union Congress to set up an agitation for the release of these condemned men.—G. L. Kandalkar, President".

Similar communication has also been sent, by telegram, to Mr. Subash Chandra Bose, President of the All-India Trades Union Congress at Calcutta.

SAVE SHOLAPUR PRISONERS.

(From A Correspondent.)

HUBLI, Dec. 28.

Hubli Cottonseed Merchants yesterday resolved to request the Viceroy to pardon Mallappa Dhanshetti and others sentenced to death in the Sholapur Riots as all sections of the public regard them as innocent.

NEW AMRAOTI WAR COUNCIL

(From Our Correspondent.)

AMRAOTI, Dec. 26.

Mr. P. D. Mulay is appointed President, Sjt. Nerkar, Secretary of Amraoti District Congress War Committee. Mr. Mulay has successfully induced foreign cloth merchants to sell foreign cloth bales upto 15th April 1931.

KHAR ROAD TENANTS' ASSOCIATION.

An Ordinary Meeting of Sub-Committee of the above Association, will be held to-day (Saturday) to consider, further action to be taken, regarding the reduction of rents.

The starting of a Khar Tenants' Buying Club or Consumers' Society and the opening of a Sports Club, will also be discussed.

"A NEW STAR?"

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"Non-Astronomer" writes:—

The abovenamed article appearing in the "Chronicle" dated 26th December 1930 drove me to some strategic point from where I could see the star (?). I saw it at about 1 p.m. She is Venus and was discernible to an average eyesight with some difficulty; then a little to the west of south-west (W.S.W.) at a height of about 40 deg. above the horizon. She is now-a-days visible towards the east in the morning till about an hour after the Sunrise. Her appearance during the daylight in spite of the Sun blazing brightly is well-known to the village people and it can only be an extraordinary phenomenon to some city people.

IF CHRIST CAME TO INDIA!

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Would He Be Locked Up?

INDIA MUST STRIVE FOR CENT. PER CENT. CITIZENSHIP.

NATIONALIST CHRISTIANS CONDEMN LATEST VICEREGAL ORDINANCES.

The "Message of Christmas" was delivered by several political leaders in the Blavatsky Hall on Friday evening when a public meeting was called under the auspices of the Nationalist Christian Party. Mr. K. M. Munshi, though unwell occupied the chair.

Rev. Dr. Clifford Manshardt then gave an outline of the life of Jesus Christ and said He always stood for truth. The people of Bombay, like the people of Jerusalem, had to choose which standard of conduct they should follow. They had only one standard of conduct to follow and that was to follow in the footsteps of their leader Jesus Christ.

Mr. Munshi said:—My attention has just been drawn to one of the numerous fantastic lies which are printed day after day in the anti-national press.

Referring to one of the headings, "Congress split develops in street battles—Several injured" he said, I do not know, what source the enemy press has for doling out gossip in the shape of news. I have no knowledge of any Congress split in Bombay. I know of no faction among Congressmen in Bombay and I know it for certain that whatever little trouble might have taken place yesterday it is neither a street-battle, nor a battle which is the result of a Congress split.

Again referring to the falsehoods appearing in the Anglo-Indian Press, he reiterated that they were "fantastic lies born of diseased imagination." The Congressmen in Bombay stand shoulder to shoulder as they have been doing these last 8 months and in spite of invidious propaganda of this kind the struggle will continue with the same vigours and strength till victory is won.

NON-VIOLENT STRUGGLE.

I deem it a great honour to the Satyagraha movement that on this occasion the Christian Community should have called upon an humble follower of the movement like me to preside. But I confess that I am not equal to the task of doing justice to the occasion. To few, indeed, is given the ability and the vision to translate into words the message for which Jesus lived and died. But as I see before me this clean, open non-violent National struggle now going on in India, as I see the supreme sacrifice of men like Babu Genu in the cause of non-violence I can verily say that the spirit of Jesus, transformed into a vast National struggle by Mahatma Gandhi, is in our midst.

SPIRIT OF MACHIAVELLI.

For ages the weary world is waiting-waiting for a method by which righteousness may prevail and the Kingdom of Heaven may be established on earth. And in the meantime last of power overshadows the world; new methods of destruction are devised daily. The spirit of Machiavelli invests intrigues with religious sanctity. And the men and women of the world groan under the burden laid upon them by those who cannot and will not accept truth and non-violence as the creed of life. To such men, a challenge has again and again been delivered by the Prophets of the world. And now what the Prophet of Nazareth taught his disciple, Mahatma Gandhi has preached to a whole Nation and through that Nation to the whole world, the secret by which the spirit may triumph over the brute in men. Let us not Ladies and Gentlemen misunderstand or misdescribe the Satyagraha movement. It is not so much a political as a spiritual movement. Mahatma Gandhi has made no secret of it. He has aimed at a complete transformation of human outlook as did Jesus of old. "Blessed are they who are persecuted for righteousness' sake for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven". And yet again the teachings of both the Prophets is the same. Have they not said the identical thing 'Fear not them which kill the body but are not able to kill the soul'.

NOT FOR THE COWARD.

The secret of this movement, as was the secret of the life and the teachings of Jesus, is the indomitable courage to invite and suffer all persecutions so that the truth may prevail. India is out today to suffer everything in order to proclaim its unity, its strength and its freedom. People, whose hearts are weak and whose faith unstable, can see neither this secret nor the beauty which underlies it. But Babu Genus of this fight have understood this secret and seen the beauty; for they have realised that he that loseth his life for India's sake shall alone find it. There is no place in this movement for the coward; not for those who are not prepared to brave the risks of the battle; not again, for the vacillating, the weak or the calculating; not even for those who aspire to a monopoly of power. For such men the route to Round Table Conference has been open and clear. Ours has been the privilege of going to jail together; of getting our heads broken together; of mingling our blood with the martyr's in the cause of the country. Ours is the glory of suffering side by side so that out of suffering may spring the bond which will make the India of the future indivisible and invincible.

TO DIE IS OUR PRIVILEGE.

As suffering is essential to this movement so is non-violence. The spirit cannot triumph in an atmosphere wherein violence meets violence. Our duty must be to suffer and die. It must be the other side which must hit, abuse and destroy. To suffer, to die is our privilege. A hundred thousand men have to submit themselves to willing death, five hundred thousand men have to submit to bring maimed, and a million men have to suffer utter ruination at least before a Nation can win its liberty. He that loseth his life for the sake of this ideal shall surely find it but he that taketh not his cross and followeth after the ideal is not worthy of it.

SPIRIT OF SATYAGRAHA.

In this spirit and spirit alone have Mahatma Gandhi and his followers been working and in this spirit alone will they win. They err who say that the Satyagraha stands for the domination of colour or creed; they err who say that the Satyagrahi stands for capital against labour or labour against capital. In my humble view the man who believes in truth and non-violence cannot stand for the exploitation of the weak by the strong in any form whatsoever. He must stand for every man's right to exists—to live, to develop, to work out the destiny for which he may be equipped; and so must be live for the right of every Nation to exist, to develop, to flourish according to the laws of its being. A Nation in bondage is an impediment to human progress. A free Nation is the only guarantee to the progress of humanity, and in this faith alone must we labour. Let us drop all shackles. On our sacrifice let us rear the fabric of a world which knows no violence and knows no exploitation. And this, and no other, can be the message of Christmas.

HOW THEY FOLLOW CHRIST.

Dr. Erulkar then said Christians were celebrating the birth of Jesus for the past two days, but if the same Jesus were to ask his followers, the so-called Christian soldiers, who devastated Europe in the last war, and the Polish people who slaughtered Jews by thousands, and also the rulers in India who had sent thousands of Indians to prisons, as to how they had all followed His principles, he wondered what reply they would vouchsafe to Him. Probably they would also cast Him to prison because he was an Oriental. Continuing Dr. Erulkar said that the message of Christ was revived by the Sage of Sabarmati. Any man or woman who any spark of Christ, or any spark of the spirit of Jesus, would give moral and material support to the movement going on now in India.

WANTED FULL CITIZENSHIP.

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta said the basic principle of all religions was the same. They found in Mahatma Gandhi, who represented the highest standard of Hinduism a best Christian, Hindu, Mahomedan and a Parsi. The quarrel about religion was absolutely futile and meaningless. Referring to the Round Table Conference, he said, it was full of communalism and the delegates were performing circus feats which they did not see in any ordinary circus. If Nationalists had gone to the Round Table Conference they would have placed India first and community afterwards. The Government had accepted the policy of divide and rule by offering certain percentage of citizenship to certain communities. Every Indian should strive for cent per cent citizenship and not two annas and four annas citizenship.

Miss Mehta Gandhi also address the meeting and urged Indians to sink their communal differences and by a united front reply to the latest Viceregal Ordinances which were given to them as Xmas Gifts by Santa Clause Lord Irwin.

MUSSOLINI'S SECRET POLICE.

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War On Anti-Fascists By O. V. R. A.

The existence of a Fascist police organization with a neat four-letter name—Ovra—similar to other European secret organizations, and designed to figure henceforth as a nightmare to anti-Fascists, was revealed with a flourish in Rome in Mail week.

It is called after initials which presumably, stand for organizazione vigilanza Reservata Sulle Associazioni. This innocent label covers a crack corps of sleuths from all stations of life who work directly under Mussolini in his capacity as Minister of the Interior and whose job is to protect the Fascist system.

Of course, it has always been there doing just this, but the incorporation of Ovra was only brought to public attention recently and with extreme effectiveness is being coupled with the announcement of three separate roundups of enemies of the regime, accused of complicity in various sorts of plots in recent weeks.

The announcement of the new organization, however, has had a curious psychological effect in sharpening the edge of terror in the people's minds by giving it a name—before it was just "the police."

GRIM WARNING.

The semi-official "Tribuna" comes out with a grim editorial on the new Ovra, saying: "Plotters please take notice that people with their eyes open are ready to act in the name of the State. The Ovra steps in before crimes are committed, not afterwards. The police in the Fascist State don't have to work as under a liberal democratic regime in the blare of political and journalistic uproar.

"It is silent and active, striking down the guilty before they have had a chance to budge. Then it is for the High Tribunal to have its say."

Aside from the cryptic four letters, no official announcement was made regarding the real name of the new corps that is defending Fascism. Some say that the initials mean Opera Vigilanza Reale Anti-Fascisti which speaks for itself.

This body is composed of Fascist officers in uniform and very closely resembles a court martial. What the fate of the 27 will be, none can safely guess now, but apprehensive friends and relatives, figuring on the basis of previous performances of the Tribunal in similar cases, fear there will be sentences to the Islands for those whom Ovra decides were engaged in plotting "criminal attempts" on the anniversary of the March on Rome against the lives of persons whose identity can only be imagined by one not on the inside of these affairs.

These are the batch whose arrests caused such a stir a month ago. Their number includes Ernesto Rossi of Milan, who tried a sensational getaway by jumping from the train at the station at Viareggio while on his way from Rome.

Professor Giuseppe Renzi of Genoa, whose arrest gave the anti their chance to pull off a great hoax to the effect that he, the benefactor of Mussolini at one time, had died in prison, has now been released, according to an official communique issued tonight.

THREE RINGLEADERS CAUGHT.

Then there is the daring group that laid down a chain letter barrage against Fascism for so many months. The Ovra has, it is believed, got three of the ringleaders for, in addition to Renzi and Vinciguerra, there is an American-born woman, Lillian Vernon de Bosis, widow of Doctor de Bosis, an Italian savant and translator of Shelley. She was born in St. Louis and is now in her sixties. She is widely known in the intellectual world of Italy and in the American colony. Her son, Lauro, is a professor at Columbia University.

As far as anyone was aware, both de Bosis, before his death, and his wife were staunch Fascists.

Ovra's third capture was announced as that of a Communist gang which, police, say, was preparing several outrages of its own on the recent anniversary of the March on Rome. The names and number of those taken is still secret. All that is known is that they are from the province of Romagna in northern Italy where Mussolini was born.

Renzi created a real sensation by the fact that the old Socialist professor once harbored a young Marxist named Benito Mussolini in his home years ago and there was much excitement at the time of his arrest.

At that time the Government issued a statement saying that Il Duce's gratitude had saved Renzi on a previous occasion. It would seem to have gotten him off again, as the Professor, after writing a letter pledging himself entirely to the pursuit of erudition, was informed that the evidence against him was insufficient to bring him before the High Tribunal.

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AN OCTOPUS.

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In his apologia for the revival in an aggravated form of the Press Ordinance the Viceroy observes: "It is not my desire that the Ordinance should restrict the just liberties of the Press or should check fair criticism of the administration or of constitutional proposals." But whatever he may say in the statement of objects and reasons for issuing the Ordinance, the clauses of the Ordinance itself are so worded as to leave the Nationalist press entirely at the mercy of the Executive, and even the High Court may find itself powerless to give any relief to an aggrieved paper, so all-comprehensive are the clauses defining the offences punishable under the Ordinance. The old Press Act itself, on which the present Ordinance is based was a veritable octopus, which in its evolution into the Ordinance may be said to have developed new tentacles. The High Court of Madras did not exaggerate when it described the Press Act as being as all-embracing a piece of legislation as human ingenuity could make. But the more recent case of the "Hindustan Times" showed that the Act could be made more comprehensive still, if by no other human agency, at least, by a lover of Reforms like the present Viceroy.

The "Hindustan Times" was the first victim of the Ordinance, having been asked to deposit the maximum security of Rs. 5,000 on the very morrow of the publication of the Ordinance. No appeal lay against the order of the Magistrate in demanding security and even the new Ordinance gives no right of appeal against such an order. The Magistrate's decree was and is final. The paper had accordingly to suspend publication till 1st August. But within a fortnight of its re-appearance its security was declared forfeit by the local Government. Technically there was the right to appeal against an order of forfeiture and the paper did appeal to the High Court. Many of the extracts from the paper, objected to by the Government, were held by the Punjab High Court to be quite innocent. But one sentence in the report of a meeting was held to be within the ambit of one of the clauses of the Ordinance, a clause, by the way, which was not present in the older Act. And for that sentence the appeal was dismissed. But in defence of the High Court's attitude in the matter the Chief Justice said with special reference to the new clause mentioned above: "This is a new provision which is not to be found in the general criminal law of the country. But the Ordinance admittedly contains provisions of an all-embracing character. It is not the province of a Court to scan the wisdom or the policy of the law. Its duty is clear, it must administer the law as it finds it and it cannot allow itself to be deflected from the straight course by its own notions of the propriety or otherwise of the law." It is not difficult to read between the lines and see how in explaining its own helplessness the High Court is politely questioning the wisdom of the Government in creating offences "not to be found in the general criminal law of the country."

The new Ordinance has all the ugly features of the old and contains a few more of the same type. It is, for instance, made easier in the new Ordinance to get at the keeper of a press and to exact from him a higher security. The provisions against the "unauthorised" news-sheets and newspapers have also been made stricter. The general tenour of the whole Ordinance is to vest the Executive with extra-ordinary powers; and the recent magisterial decisions, despite repeated strictures of High Courts, show with what certainty the Executive can expect to utilise the new Ordinance. It appears from the Viceroy's statement of objects and reasons that at the next meeting of the Assembly Government may possibly introduce a Bill embodying all or most of the provisions of the Ordinance. With the Congress boycott of the Legislatures and with many of the non-Congress leaders absent in England, the Legislature may be expected by Government to be very accommodating. But we feel confident that the legislature will think ten times before playing with public opinion, and into the hands of the bureaucracy.

WANTED, AN INQUIRY.

We draw the attention of the public and the Government to the moving tale of the plight of the peasants in the Kaira district which the well-known social worker Mr. Amritlal V. Thakkar narrates in a communication we publish elsewhere. Mr. Thakkar's will not be classed, we hope, as a fanciful hysterical account. His record of service in the cause of social welfare should preclude such description even in quarters where publicity of the facts he discloses is greatly disliked. Very recently Mira Ben gave to the public an account of her recent tour in Borsad. A few weeks earlier she wrote about the mysterious fires in the Kaira District and the Director of Information protested against much that she had said. She then gave fresh first-hand information about more fires in Borsad. Will not the public regard it as most curious that almost all the houses burnt are said to belong to persons who have refused to pay land revenue? Mira Ben also reported several cases of men and women being wantonly beaten by some policemen. Asked why they were beaten by the people, the villagers replied to Mira Ben: "They gave no reasons. They simply went for us saying 'you want Swaraj, then here it is, take it,' and beat us mercilessly." Is it not pertinent for the public to demand that an independent inquiry should be held concerning these and similar allegations? Is it not necessary for Government to take immediate steps to see that there is no longer cause for the peasants of the affected area to feel that 'carte blanche' has been given by them to their subordinate officialdom? For the sake of their own prestige the Government of Bombay, we had hoped, would accede to the popular demand for inquiry. Mr. Thakkar's account following upon the narration of their experiences by men of high position in public life like Sir Lalubhai Samaldas adds emphasis to the necessity for an urgent inquiry.

CASTE IN JAILS!

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The letter by Messrs. V. V. Dastane and S. P. Patwardhan on "Caste Distinctions in Jails," published in the "Chronicle" yesterday is a remarkable document partly because it shows how caste distinctions are created in jail and because it also shows the noble spirit of the writers who in the true Gandhian spirit would rather do scavenging work themselves than allow the jail authorities to compel persons of some castes only to do such work. While they were prisoners in the Ratnagiri Jail, they noticed that the jail officials exacted scavenging work from some backward communities not accustomed to such work and isolated them from other prisoners because of their work, thereby creating an untouchable caste in jail. Messrs Dastane and Patwardhan volunteered to do scavenging work because they rightly contended that, if such work is to be a matter of compulsion, there ought to be no compulsion based on birth. But they were not allowed to do the work. Jail officials will do well to make the work optional, coupling it with some special concessions and rewards or to take it from prisoners impartially without reference to birth.

THE HANDS THAT ROCK THE CRADLES.

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"The hand that rocks the cradle,
rules the world."
The mothers that did guide you
all your days,
Must guide you, now your banner
is unfurled,
To unscaled heights of bravery,
by ways
Unknown to man before. Ashamed
why may
You be that they should lead you
in this fight.
The mothers, at whose knees you
learnt to pray,
The mothers in whose eyes you
saw God's light,
Or rather, should you not proclaim
with pride
Your battle is so pure and so
sublime,
The mothers of your homes fight
by your side,
And clasp your hands, unstained
by crime
India's sons, your mothers
aspire to be
The banner-holders of your
Liberty.

"SEVIKA."

FUTILE CAMPAIGN

(By A Political Correspondent.)

Of late there has been jubilation in the Anglo-Indian Press over imaginary splits in the Congress Camp and it has been recently very busy making "startling disclosures". Personally I felt overjoyed when I saw the "disclosures" because I felt that this section of the Press had realised that no amount of propaganda suggesting that the Congress influence is waning would wash any longer and therefore had taken to the last resort of giving publication to reports of imaginary splits with a view to take a random shot at attempting to shake public confidence in the potency of the national struggle. I can say without fear of contradiction from any responsible Congressman that I have seen no evidence of this split except in the "disclosures" of the anti-National Press nor have I come across the factions led by a lady recently returned from jail or any one else, nor have I come across men answering to the detailed or picturesque descriptions given in that Press. It is an old trick of propagandists of a certain type to give a versimilitude of truth to falsehood by piling up circumstantial details. The Government may or may not know it but it is patent to the discerning observer that the strength in Congress membership has not only not declined but it is being increased nor does it lack financial or other support. The usual stuff about the "accounts" I read with the greatest amusement. Bringing in the question of accounts seems to be in certain quarters the most convenient method of running down an organisation. The public knows how to take this prejudiced criticism.

NOTES FROM ENGLAND.

ISSUES THAT WORRY THE POLITICALLY-MINDED.

(By N. G. Ranga.)

LONDON, December 12.

There is a distinct reaction in England against the democratic control of Parliament and this is displayed by Mr. Garvin of the "Observer" in his clamour for a National Government to deal with the present industrial crisis, by the Financial world in its claim that financiers must be given power to reconstruct the world, by Lord Rothermere and Co., who are behind the British Fascist Party in their theory that the present waste of time indulged in by Parliament can be stopped only by an intelligent, nationalistic and capable dictatorship of the few who know and can do things and curiously enough by those socialist M.P.'s who have supported Sir Oswald Mosley's Scheme for a National Government by a Cabinet of five. I was surprised to hear, the other day, in Piccadilly, two businessmen discussing the best way by which the present incompetence and insincerity of politicians can be remedied, for it is not usual for English people to doubt the credentials of their politicians. One of them said that there was nothing to choose between the leaders of different political parties and that things seemed pretty hopeless. Another glimpse at the pessimistic attitude of the English was gained on one Sunday morning while I was having a walk in the beautiful Hyde-Park—by the way this park is really very charming with its majestic oak trees on a golden autumn morning—. From one of the platforms in Hyde-Park, a paid agent of the Lord Beaver-Brook and Co., was hanging, condemning the present British Government and pleading for Empire Free Trade. An apologetic supporter of socialism questioned the speaker incessantly upon his remarks about socialists, but instead of delivering a frontal attack upon the Conservative Party, he satisfied himself by saying that the Conservative Party did no better while in power than the present Labour Party, to which the speaker replied that he was not trying to defend any party and he considered every party to have failed in its duty, thus, to my utter amazement, silencing the socialist interrupter. A few years ago, such a speaker would not have dared to address a meeting in Hyde Park, so highly socialistic the temper of the audience used to be and the interrupter would not have been silenced so easily. As Mr. Fenner Brockway put it in commenting upon the Mosley Scheme, the fact is there is growing discontent with the way in which the Labour Government has failed to come to grips with the growing seriousness of the industrial crisis.

LLYOD GEORGE'S PLEA.

Take for instance, the plea of Mr. Lloyd George in supporting the Labour Government. He wants to support the present Government not because he agrees with its policy but because he is afraid of the Conservative Party. Certainly his position is not intelligible to the English voter. The Baldwin group wish to defeat the Government not because they are able to show any alternative programme but simply because they desire to come back to power. The Conservative attitude does not help people to repose in their sincerity. Hence the popularity of Rothermere and Beaverbrookes holy crusade and the emergence of Mosley's Scheme. At any other time, the Mosley group would not have thought of bringing their absurd scheme of political dictatorship to daylight but now, things are different and people are, as the "Manchester Guardian" put it so sagaciously, in a mood to listen to any scheme.

MOSLEY SCHEME.

The publication of the Apple Cart of Bernard Shaw synchronises with the public discussion of Mosley Scheme, for both Shaw and Mosely agree in one thing, that the present parliamentary and party machinery are too antediluvian to be capable of coping with the present day problems. But while Shaw looks to an experienced and strong dictator to save the country, Mosley expects his Big Five to rule the people in an energetic manner. The most extraordinary gap in the edifice of political reconstruction, fashioned out by these schemers is that there is no provision to enable a dictatorship to relapse into democracy soon after the need for emergency dictatorship is gone. It is easy to be contemptuous of the achievements of the politicians, but it is certainly most painfully difficult to create a machinery by which the people's control can be utilised while emergency measures are taken to ward off a national crisis.

EMPIRE AGAIN.

General Smuts is again loud in his praises of the British Empire. He deplores the failure of the Empire Conference to fill the void created by granting more definite powers of sovereignty to Dominions, with a new cohesive and friendly tie between the members of the Commonwealth by accepting an imperial trade preferential system. He does not realise that none of the Dominions is prepared to offer any compensatory preference to England in exchange for her willingness to tax her foodstuffs. And that Mr. Thomas was perfectly right in styling Mr. Bennet's Scheme as a piece of humbug. India made it clear that she would not accept Imperial preference, neither Canada nor Australia nor even Australia was prepared to sacrifice the protection enjoyed by her industries for the sake of Britain's manufactures. How can there be fraternal spirit of give and take between the members of this unhappy British family of nations?

IS CROWN TO BE A MERE NAME?

The "Times" discovered a highly important but anamolous point in the manner in which the Governor-General of Australia is made. It seems that Mr. Saullin, the Premier of the Dominion in the Pacific, decided upon his choice without consulting the King, long before he left Australia and certainly prior to the achievements of the Conference. This singular instance establishes a precedent, fraught with significant results. It means that the Dominion Premiers can not only select their Governors-General without the partnership of the British Cabinet but also can dispense with the preliminary consultation with the King before appointing them. In this regard, they have achieved more than the British Cabinet, for the latter is obliged to consult the King almost daily upon every important international and domestic question while the former may or may not consult their Viceroys. It is therefore not hazardous to infer that hereafter the Crown will be in future more and more a symbolic unity between the Dominions of the Commonwealth, without being the realistic and material unifying force in this unhappy family.

WHO IS TO APPOINT GOVERNORS?

Since Canada has a unitary form of Government, her governors will be nominated by the Premier of the Dominion. But in the case of Australia, the States are independent entities in that they enjoy all the residual powers and so the Federal Premier has no authority to nominate their governors. It is anxiously enquired by the "Times", Lord Sydenham and some prominent Australians as to who has this power; the States Premiers in consultation with the British Cabinet or States Premiers alone. Further some maintain that there must be a suitable change made in the constitutions of the States to facilitate the appointment of the Governors by the States Premiers. But this conservative element does not realise the fact that the manner in which these appointments are made can be altered by the new formulation of a new convention and a suitable change in the instruments of instructions to governors. The "Daily Telegraph comforts itself by the thought that because a few discordant voices are raised in Australia, this new change cannot be considered to be an excellent precedent.

INTEREST IN INDIA.

That Mahatma Gandhi's movement is winning the spirit soul and sympathy of the learned, religious or humanitarian peoples all over the world is becoming more and more clear as days go by. Mr. C. F. Andrews and Mr. Manilal Parekh who have just returned from America tell us that Mahatma Gandhi comes second in the order of the first six best sellers and that wherever they had gone there were always asked for more and more information about Gandhi, the man, his idea of soul force and his demands. It is indeed heartening to learn from them that the anti-Indian propaganda carried on sometime ago by Miss Mayo, Mr. Edward Thompson (who by the way has repented for his past and is now writing some sensible articles in the Spectator) Lord Meston (still unrepentent) Sir John Simon (the real opponent of nationalist India) has had no real and abiding effect upon the

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NOTES OF THE DAY

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Futile Protest.

According to a "Chronicle" cable, Mr. Saklatwala has addressed a letter to the R. T. C. "delegates" about the refusal of the Foreign Office to renew his passport for India. We fully sympathise with Mr. Saklatwala. Passport Laws were certainly not intended to prevent a man, who has not been exiled, from entering his own country. But then Mr. Saklatwala belongs to a country where extra-legal laws are more in evidence than ordinary ones. His protest against what after all is comparatively a minor Executive measure, is useless. And it is worse than useless to address the protest to the Indian "delegates"—of all persons.

Optimism Or What?

Utter and blind subservience to optimism and an acute sense of humour do not usually go together. Mr. R. S. Finlay, Director of Agriculture in Bengal, however, embodies an attempt to reconcile the two, with what results, we leave the reader to judge. He compares the jute returns of 50 crores in the period 1926-29 to those of 15 crores in 1900-1904 and says: "a bad year should not obscure our vision and blind us to the great benefits that jute has without question, brought to Bengal." So what matters starvation in 1930 when the preceding year compares so favourably with the year—1904. And, of course much more favourably with the year 1804. We need not fear that Mr. Finlay has not received his salary in 1930.

Mr. V. J. Patel's Health.

The public should be grateful to the Government of India for taking the trouble to issue a "communique" regarding the state of health of Sjt. Vithalbhai Patel. It is pleasing to know that he was provided in the Ambala jail with "suitable accommodation and conditions of detention," although all non-official reports have been to the contrary and although the reasons for "detaining" him in the Ambala rather than the Gujrat special jail are still a mystery. It is also very comforting to note that the Madras Government have been instructed to carry out the suggestions of the Punjab medical officers and keep the Government of India informed of Mr. Patel's health in the Coimbatore jail "where climate was more congenial than in the Punjab." All this is very admirable indeed. But, the question, why Mr. Patel was not transferred to his own Province as was done in the cases of his other distinguished co-prisoners, still remains unanswered. It was undoubtedly a tiresome business, issuing a communique. But, once he undertook it, the Director of Information could as well have done it thoroughly.

A Perverse Order.

Our Ahmedabad correspondent informs us that because the local Municipality and the School Board closed Municipal schools on the days when prominent national leaders were jailed, the Government thinks that they have failed to observe Government rules and that Government "is pleased to order that the balance of the grant due to the Municipality for the current financial year should not be paid as long as the present Board holds office." The order, it is said, goes much further and states that so long as the Municipality and the new Board do not give an undertaking to faithfully carry out the policy laid down in the Government resolution, no instalment of the educational grant due to that Municipality in the current year or any other additional grant should be given. There is nothing unlikely about the report. The Government is quite capable of such conduct, especially when retrenchment is found necessary but big officials' salaries are not to be touched. The order also brings out the value of the so-called local Self-Government.

No Undertaking.

The Municipality and the Board must have thought that if schools could be closed, as they are often, on such occasions like the visit of officials of high eminence to the City, they might as well be closed with more propriety when the true leaders of the country are jailed for the offence of participation in the national struggle. If a Municipality has not the right to determine the holidays for its own schools, what is the value of its Self-Government? But we are sure the Municipality will never give the undertaking asked for and will make its own arrangements to replace the Government grant. We do not think that the Municipality has violated any standing rules in the matter of holidays. It is rather the Government that has misinterpreted the rules.

KAIRA DISTRICT AND THE 'STRONG' MAN.

OPPORTUNE WARNING TO GOVERNMENT.

(BY AMRATLAL V. THAKKAR.)

Gujerat, or to be accurate, certain areas of the province are in the midst of a strong no-land revenue campaign, a plank in the civil disobedience movement of Mahatma Gandhi. In Borsad Taluka in Kaira District and Bardoli in Surat the peasants, I mean the great majority of the substantial landholders there, are determined to hold over the land-tax, come what may. The amount of sacrifice and suffering they have inflicted and invited upon themselves cannot be judged by any one who has not moved and lived amongst them in their present troubles. Disinterested observers like Mr. Brailsford, Sir Lalubhai Samaldas and the representatives of the Indian Merchants' Chamber have given to the world their impressions of the campaign and the repression to which a 'strong' government is subjecting them. The migration of the landholders has resulted in their evacuated houses being ransacked by 'badmashes' and dozens of them burnt to ashes and cinders and their movables stolen away. They have suffered their lands with standing crops to be forfeited and to be given away for a song to either their erstwhile tenants or to field-labourers or to other profit-seeking adventurers. They have shifted themselves to the adjoining Baroda territories from their well-built storied substantial houses to the grass huts exposing themselves to the inclemency of the weather, from the "trusteeship" of a beneficent "ma-bap raj" to a so-called less secure administration. They have further quietly submitted to their irrigation engines and pumps machinery for watering rich tobacco and other crops—to be dismantled, essential parts thereof to be attached, and put out of action. Whole villages have suffered indiscriminate beating at the hands of "special" men on duty. Congress Committees have been made to evacuate their premises rented in almost all cases—and their properties have been forfeited. The Congress people seem to be now functioning either secretly or from the adjoining Baroda territories at the evident risk of being confined in Sabarmati or Yeravada Jail. Those who do not believe in this suffering may light-heartedly ask, "But why are you silly enough to invite all these losses an dsuffering and save a few thousand rupees of the state share of land produce to which the state can lay a just claim?" This is not the place to answer such an elementary question. Mahatma Gandhi's writings afford copious replies to these questioners.

PECULIAR CONDITIONS.

Kaira district is peculiarly situated with regard to its population, tradition, and administration in the present campaign. As is well-known the cultivating and land owning classes consist of (1) Patidars, a very virile and sturdy community and (2) Dharalas or Bariyas, a community that has taken to settled life in recent times and does produce outlaws and criminals even now. As compared with other districts of Gujerat, Kaira has got the evil reputation of supplying the largest number of criminal cases—murders, dacoities, arson etc.,—even in normal times. But be it noted to the credit of the population that this evil tendency has been is greatly under control during the last few years. In the present movement not a single case of violence, even of raising a stick against the contituted authority, can be quoted against the people who have taken part in the Satyagraha movement. This is evidently due to the moral teachings of Mahatma Gandhi and his lieutenants during recent times. History may or may not endorse this observation, but the Government of the day, which thinks it safe and just to put Mahatma Gandhi behind the prison bars without trial and for indefinite period, will not surely say "yes" to it. The British Government believes in 'Strong' hand and is evidently keen on showing the iron fist.

"STRONG" RULE.

At the present movement Kaira district has a specially "strong" administrator—I mean the collector and district magistrate. He is supported by the Bombay Government in all his Judicial and extra-judicial activities in regard to the preservation of 'law and order' and in regard to coercive methods of land revenue collections. He has got the assistance of "strong" mamlatdars of "strong" police officers. The enforcement of Ordinance No. 9 brought in its train the closing down of as many as 69 Congress Samitis in Kaira district, as against half a dozen at the most in each of the four districts of Gujerat. The District Magistrate is reported to have boasted that he will be able to crush the present movement in his district within 15 days after the promulgation of the latest Ordinance and the disbanding of the Samitis, but though two months have passed since then, the movement is not crushed and the civil resisters' spirit is not damped. A few thousand rupees of land revenue collected under threats of coercion cannot kill the determination of a strong peasantry. In Borsad taluka not less than 10 mysterious fires have taken place in different villages at different times during the single month of November, completely destroying dozens of evacuated houses. Has there been a single detection in any of these cases? In one village that has so suffered by a fire, the new police patel (the old one having resigned as a part of the Satyagraha) was asked by an ex-Minister of the Government of Bombay if the cases of the extensive fire that took place in his own street under his very nose was reported to the higher authorities, the answer that spontaneously came from him was that no regular complaint was laid before him and so he has not reported anything. I do not know if the Patel is liable for not reporting this fire, but surely can human callousness go further than this?

FERTILE TRACT.

The soil of Kaira district is naturally rich and is made more productive by irrigation from wells by a large number of mechanical pumps. The existence of these pumps and the consequent dependence of the cultivators on these has been utilized by officials in Borsad and Anand to coerce civil resisters into the payment of their land revenue. Essential parts of engines and pumps have been dismantled forcibly and removed to headquarters in order to indirectly compel people whose fields were being watered by the pumps, into payment of their revenue. In a few cases people have submitted and paid up, but in a majority of cases they have let their crops dry up and have suffered immense losses rather than forego their vow of non-payment. The Government of Bombay informed the world as per its reply to the Indian Merchants' Chamber that "attachment has been confined to crops, ornaments, cash, buffaloes and the like. Plough cattle, agricultural implements and necessary household articles are not taken." Now are these pumps not agricultural implements? At the same time the L. R. Code was passed either such pumps had not been invented, or had not been brought into use by the enterprising farmers and so they were not thought of and explicitly exempted from attachment for non-payment of revenue. But are they not agricultural implements? A lawyer friend tells me that a civil court of law has decided that they are, but the 'Strong' Administration of Kaira District thinks otherwise. Moreover, household articles have been attached in scores of cases.

HOW COERCION WORKS.

The inventive brains of the Secretariat found out the "minimum force theory" for the dispersing of meetings and processions of peaceful civil resisters, the holding of which the Police in their wisdom thought subversive of Law and Order. The lathi charge, recently reduced to stick charge, has, therefore, been freely resorted to. In Kaira district this theory has been extended to indiscriminate beating in villages, meeting or no meeting, procession or no procession. Congressmen, if found singly, or in batches of two or four have been physically maltreated and often prosecuted and jailed on unsupportable charges for the mere offence of their being Congressmen or Gandhi Topi-wallas. But the revenue subordinates and specially the Borsad Mamlatdar has scored over the Bombay Secretariat in inventing a less offensive looking, but more deadly weapon to break the back of the Patidars, who are the chief landholders and also of civil resisters of Kaira. Friends of coercion are setting up Dharalas or Bariyas and a few Mussalmans. This is creating class hatred between the two great Hindu communities residing in the district. One finds Bariya police Patels, to lord it over the proud Patidar. Hundreds of acres of patidars' properties of forfeited lands with standing crops are sold to Bariyas for a mere song. Thus licence is being given to the almost dead evil propensity, which unfortunately being now awakened in some Bariyas, is finding expression in the looting of crops and playing mischief like arson and dacoity. In one case a Patidar and ex-police patel has been murdered. In another case, in connection with land transfer trouble, a party of some Moslems and their hired Pathans are reported to have raided near Petlad a camp of Patidar farmers who had removed themselves from British into Baroda territory.

MR. HUDSON INVESTIGATES.

Under such circumstances, the visit of the Bombay Revenue Member to the emigrants' camps in Borsad and Bardoli with a view to persuade them to return to their homes and pay up is, I am afraid, likely to prove futile. The administrators of Ahmedabad and Surat districts too have to face civil resisters, but the methods practiser in Kaira are not to be found in the other two districts and I am convinced that unless the present head of the Kaira district and his favourite 'strong' subordinates are removed from the district, the district will not settle down to its normal state, nor will the present trouble end. Officers gifted with their mentality like this are like ghee in fire, and as long as the Bombay Government depend upon them, there can be no reconciliation between the rulers and the ruled. Will the Government stand on its prestige and further embitter and widen the gulf or use statesmanship and look a little further into the future?

Mr. K. S. Ramchandra Iyer recently performed the opening of the Bombay branch of the South Indian General Assurance Co. Ltd. of Madras.
Mr. Iyer is seated fourth from left. To his right is Mr. K. C. Pandalai, Managing Director of the firm and to his left is Mr. T. V. Ramiah, the local Manager.

NEW CHINA.

Imperialism Crumbling.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN FAR EAST.

Recent events in China make it unmistakably clear that foreign control is doomed. Armed intervention throughout most of the country has already been abandoned by foreign powers in spite of widespread lawlessness and banditry. The spirit of nationalism is growing so rapidly in China that foreign intervention intensifies antagonism and therefore increases the degree of peril to the lives and property of aliens. Except in a few port cities, the protection of foreigners by the armed force of alien governments is now absolutely impossible.

INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION.

The necessity of adopting a new policy in China is rapidly being recognized by other nations. Japan is abandoning threats and coercion in favour of an attempt to win the friendship and trade of China. The British Government within recent months has taken four important steps; the return of Weihaiwei, the return of the Amoy concession, the return of the British share of the Boxer indemnity, and the continuance of negotiations with respect to the abolition of extra-territoriality. While the latter negotiations are likely to be prolonged for some years before a final decision is reached, nothing seems more probable than that China, within a decade or two, will follow the example of Japan and Turkey in throwing off the political control of foreign powers. It is reported that some forty million dollars of the British Boxer refund will be used for new railway construction in China. Interesting and significant! Improved transportation will hasten the unification of China—and unification will make inevitable the overthrow of foreign domination. Nationalism is destined to supplant imperialism in the Far East.—"World To-morrow."

NOTES FROM ENGLAND

(Continued From Previous Page.)

American public and that people—their number is increasing very fast—are striving hard to learn more about the message of non-violence of Mahatma Gandhi. They assure us that Gandhi has conquered the soul of America and India has the good-will of Americans. The English are not lagging behind either.

INDIA'S IRRESISTIBLE CLAIMS.

The Anglican Churches have, in their united appeal, laid stress upon the irresistible claims of India and the significance of the Mahatma's work in our country. In view of the fact that this appeal reaches the conservative minded High and middle classes, this small leaflet of the churches is a fitting though not adequate triumph achieved by the Gandhian campaign. The Students Christian Movement has brought out an excellent syllabus of study about India indicating the general trend of the public opinion in our country and it is bound to gain more friends for India. The Friends' heart is captured by the Mahatma purely by his Ahimsa and the Friends have all along been his friends. But for Mr. Horace Alexander's moving appeal to them, they would not have taken such a bold stand and they have been busy, ever ever since, in concerting measures to win more and more friends for India. They are tending out an appeal to all heir branches and members, asking them to organise study groups, meetings and to pray for the achievement by India of freedom. The I. L. P. has of course always done the pioneering work in this direction and both the Friends of India and Commonwealth of India League have only succeeded so far in reaching a few people beyond the members of the I. L. P. It must however be noted in passing that Messrs. Fenner Brockway, Nitin Krishna Menon, Reginald Reynolds, Horace Alexander are doing very useful work in the cause of India. I have been kept frightfully busy by the I.L.P. for these seven weeks and I have addressed nearly twenty gatherings during the first month.

Slowly but steadily more and more friends, who are in favour of India's demand for Independence are being won and what is being achieved by all of us, here, is simply to train and prepare these friends for further propaganda on their part. But the spirit that is winning friends for India by hundreds is that of Mahatma Gandhis and his satyagrahis.

MR. V. J. PATEL.

Examined By His Family Doctor In Jail.

COIMBATORE, Decr. 26.

Mr. V. J. Patel was examined this afternoon at the Central Jail by Dr. Purshottamdas Patel and Dr. R. V. Patel. The examination lasted three hours. Lt.-Col. Machonachie, Superintendent of the Jail was present throughout. A local dentist was also summoned. The examination will be continued to-morrow when it is understood their report will be available.—A. P.

Public Library, Not Schools The Better Half

The Secretary, the Library Service of the First All-Asia Educational Conference, sends the following:—

To-day's mail has brought an inspiring message from the veteran librarian Melvil Dewey, the rather of the modern Library Movement. Born in 1851, he founded the American Library Association in 1876 and established the first school of Library Science at the Columbia College in 1383. At the beginning of the present century he inaugurated the first travelling library system in the State of New York. His "Decimal System of Classification," first proposed in 1876, has now reached the 12th edition and is used extensively all the world over. Dewey himself says that his system is used in 14,000 libraries. Probably more than any other single individual he is responsible for the sound development of Library Science in America. Here are some extracts from the message he has sent to the Library Section:—

"In a life very full of inspirations I still found a new thrill in reading your notice of the All-Asia Educational Conference and specially about its Library Service Section. All nations are coming rapidly to understand that we shall never attain a better world merely by laws, police and soldiers. Somehow we must make people prefer the better things and that is education.

"HOME EDUCATION."

I have for over 50 years been preaching the gospel that the schools are 'only half of education and that the corner-stone of the second part is the Public Library. I established 40 years ago the first Government department to recognise this other half of education. I called it 'home education'. It has grown and in the last 5 years active, aggressive work has gone on widely under the name of 'adult education.' I prefer my name 'home education' because it is for the youth as well as for adults and represents all of education outside the regular schools.....

DECIMAL SYSTEM

The library association you are starting is the natural hub round which the other features will grow. Later you will have a school for training librarians and each year this broad view of education will take deeper hold in Asia.

I am, of course, much interested in your classification and should be glad to know that you work it out. The decimal classification like all things human, is imperfect but it has the enormous advantage that it is used by some 14,000 libraries, institutions and scholars.....

...Naturally the system first published in 1876 was from the standpoint of our American libraries. Through the twelve editions it has constantly broadened. But we need specially to cover Asia more adequately and hope we shall have your active co-operation in making the decimal system still more widely useful.

Give a message of warm congratulations to your All-Asia Conference. It is the beginning of a movement certain to grow steadily in usefulness to the great people who live in the countries which were the cradle of the human race.

THE WITNESS WHO MADE A STATEMENT ... TO THE POLICE 15 DAYS AFTER.

Further Hearing Of Chirner Firing Case.

When hearing was resumed on Friday of the Chirner case before Mr. R. R. Sonatkar, four more prosecution witnesses were examined.

The witness included the Police Patil and the Talati of Chirner both of whom were eye-witnesses to the Forest Satyagrana at Chirner on September 25. One of them told how Congress volunteers tried to prevent people from rushing at the Police so that there should be no breach of the peace.

The Magistrate, the public prosecutor and the defence counsel propose to pay a visit to Chirner and Akkadevi Hill on Saturday morning.

Haliya Mahdu Mhatre a farmer of Chirner stated that he went up the Akkadevi Hill on September 25. He reached the place where he found a crowd. He heard gun shots. He also saw a policeman hiding behind shrubs, being assaulted by a number of people. One of the assailants had an axe with which he was hitting him, some others had lathis in their hands. On noticing those incidents, witness, without proceeding further, returned home.

HIT WITH AXE.

Witness identified Hasna Babu Khar Patil, the fifth accused, as the person who hit the Policeman on his head with an axe.

Narayan G. Keni said on his way home after seeing the Satyagraha he found a police constable, lying on the ground. There were some people who had lathis in their hands. Some of them were beating the policeman while others were standing. The witness thereupon left the place and went home. He expressed inability to identify the men.

A MONTH AFTER.

Cross-examined by Mr. Fadke witness stated that his statement was recorded by the Police after a month or so after the Satyagraha. He made a statement before the Mamlatdar.

Re-examined by the Public Prosecutor witness said that he was at a distance of 25 paces from the place where the policeman was lying and so was not in a position to identify the assailants or to say on what part of the body they gave blows.

TALATI'S EVIDENCE

Ramchandra G. Gardi, Talati of Chirner, said in the course of his evidence: While the party was returning and had come down a distance of about a furlong many people came up flourishing their sticks and shouting "beat them". In the meanwhile Mr. Joshi the Mamlatdar and some Congress workers came up. Seeing them the crowd became peaceful. The police had handcuffed the men arrested in the middle. The crowd was demanding that handcuffs should be removed. Some of them tried to remove the handcuffs. In the meanwhile some of the arrested persons who were handcuffed escaped with the handcuffs. Their number must have been seven or eight. Only five of the arrested persons remained. When they came down, the witness found the situation very critical and returned home. He left the party at a distance of a furlong from the banyan tree.

Nos. 31 and 33 were asked to be identified by some witnesses after their arrest. The witness was present at the identification parade and had made a "Panchnama" on December 15. He read out several "Panchnamas" and also the report of inquest on the dead body of Hari Narayan Tante the head constable of police. The report stated that the body of was in a state of decomposition and it was not possible to remove it in that condition. There were marks of wounds inflicted with some sharp weapons.

The witness was cross-examined by Mr. Fadke. He stated that he made a statement to the police after 15 days.

POLICE PATEL SPEAKS.

Shivram Shiku Patil, Police Patil of Chirner stated that the Satyagrahis proceeded in batches. Prior to that they had collected in Ram Mandir but the witness did not know what happened there. When the crowd came to the hill they demanded that the arrested persons should be released. They were shouting "Gandhi Maharaj-ki-Jai" "Jangalka Kayda Tod Diya". The people had surrounded the police. The Police Inspector was perspiring so he took out his belt and gave it to his peon Shantaram. When the crowd made a row the Police Inspector ordered that the arrested persons should be handcuffed. Some of them made good their escape in the row. In the meanwhile Mr. Joshi the Mamlatdar arrived on the scene.

VOLUNTEERS FORM CORDON.

When the party reached the brook near the bunyan tree some people shouted "Beat the Police Patil, he gave the names and the Panchnamas are with him". The people made at the witness and the police and some of them shouted "Don't leave the police. Beat them also." When the police went to the other side of the brook volunteers formed a cordon so that the police might go safely and there should be no breach of the peace. But in the meanwhile some one gave a blow on the head of the witness. He fell down. A policeman who was by his side helped him to rise.

When the police were going further the crowd pelted stones at them. One of the Policemen fell down. One of the constables said "Fire at least in the air so that the crowd will disperse. They are coming in large numbers". Eventually two or three shots were fired at the place where the police constable was lying. Some people from the crowd shouted "These are blank shots, don't let the police go, kill them." The police were again mobbed. They again fired and then proceeded further. Several rounds were fired in that manner.

The witness identified some of the accused.

"DON'T REMEMBER."

Replying to Mr. Fadke defence Counsel witness said that he made a statement on October 3 before the Police Inspector, at Panvel. After that he made another statement before Mr. Raje Dy. S. P. but did not remember the date. He also made a statement on October 3 before the Deputy Collector in the Dak Bungalow at Panvel. Many persons had come to make statements but he did not know whose statements were recorded.

The case was then adjourned till Saturday.

Read To-Morrow's "Sunday Chronicle."

(1) 'THREE OUTSTANDING EVENTS OF THE YEAR 1930.' (A Survey of the last 12 months— By Publicist.)
(2) WESTERN ASTROLOGERS READ MAHATMA'S HOROSCOPE. ("Next year will mark Culmination of his efforts")
(3) WOMEN SHOULD BE EMPLOYED IN POLICE DEPARTMENT. (Fair P.C.'S for Fair Satyagrahis —By Mrs. Muthulaxmi Reddi.)
(4) BRITAIN BEINGING UP A NATION OF BEGGARS? (By a British Journalist.)
(5) "WE ARE HAPPY IN THIS LAND" (By a Western wife of an Indian husband.)
(6) INDIAN PRINCE WHO BEGGED IN STREETS OF DELHI. (By R. K. Dalal, B. Com.)
J. D. JENKINS REPLIES TO DR. C. L. D'AVOINE.
(7) J. D. JENKINS REPLIES TO DR. C. L. D'AVOINE.
(8) MAHATMA'S MARCH TO DANDI HAS UPSET. (By an American Economist.)

Besides these, there will be our usual features with interesting features and cartoons.

PUNJAB GOVERNOR'S CONDITION.

Makes Excellent Progress.

LAHORE, Decr. 26.

The Government House Bulletin issued this evening says:—

His Excellency the Governor has made excellent progress and was able to take gentle exercise in Government House grounds this afternoon. He hopes to be able to take part in social functions by the beginning of next week.—A.P.

UNTOUCHABILITY AND DEVADASIS.

CHETTY'S TWO BILLS.

MADRAS, Dec. 26.

Mr. R. K. Shanmukham Chetty has given notice of two bills relating to social reform to be introduced in the next session of the Legislative Assembly. The first aims at removing certain disabilities affecting the "untouchables" in the Hindu community and provides, inter alia, that no person belonging to the Hindu community shall be deemed incapable, by reason of caste, of sharing in the benefits of any religious or charitable trust created for the general benefit of persons professing the Hindu religion, notwithstanding custom or interpretation of the law to the contrary. It is claimed that the Bill, if passed, will remove the legal disabilities of the untouchables and pave the way for the effective removal of untouchability.

The second Bill aims at preventing the dedication of women as Devadasis for service in Hindu temples.—A. P.

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TWO BRITISH DOCTRINES OF GOVERNING

"Inherent Inferiority Of Other People" And "Abnormal Ferocity" Of The "Enemy"

"CHICAGO TRIBUNE" ON BRITISH "PERPLEXITIES"

The "Chicago Tribune" (Paris edition) contains the following leading article on India entitled "A word with the Imperial Press Agent", which no doubt will make interesting reading for Indians.

Great Britain got India when it got French, Canada, and by the same method, fighting, and in the same conflict, the Seven Years War. It is still sitting nicely, if loosely or because loosely, in America and is failing about uncertainly, if not desperately, in India. If its position here is more than might be expected reasonably of time and circumstances, its position there certainly is not less.

KEEPING ON RIGHT SIDE OF MORAL OPINION

British affairs in Canada have found their angle of repose. If anything slides down from the top it will find its place at the bottom, but in India the pyramid is upside down. If the top comes down there won't be any of the present bottom to be found. The British know that their enemies in other countries will take advantage of every bad break, and therefore one of their concerns is to keep on the right side of moral opinion whatever acts may be found necessary in handling the revolutionists.

It is a difficult undertaking. Repression by the British has filled the hospitals and provided a considerable casualty list and aggression by the Hindus has violated objectionable law, but has not produced many instances of murderous assault. When the atrocities begin to get attention the British will have the explaining to do and the denials to make.

IMPORTANCE OF AMERICAN OPINION

American opinion is regarded as important, although American moral interference has been virtually nothing and American government sympathy is, unofficially, apparent. Nevertheless there is complaint regarding the tone and prejudice of American published comment on the subject. The outstanding American book on India has been Miss Mayo's "Mother India," which would have prepared the American moralists for the extermination of the Hindus. It was almost an "Uncle Tom's Cabin" in reverse; the British Little Eve in a bestial world. It brought forth some counter publications, the most widely circulated being from missionaries who had worked in India and protested against the contagment of the whole people to the low levels of degradation.

POLLUTING THE WELL OF TRUTH

These books and some American journalism have aroused British critics to something bordering on an excitement of virtue. Self-deception is the father of the least delectable hypocrisy and therefore the best point of departure when the objective is public opinion. The London "Times" have given many columns to a protest against American mischief which reaches the rather heated conclusion that the British must abandon their tradition of suffering in silence and that the government must protest to the United States against the pollution of the well of truth.

TWO MAIN DOCTRINES

This is not bright. It will cause laughter. It will lead to a little more examination of facts than Great Britain in its perplexities really requires. Great Britain has always been more droit than any other nation in writing down its enemies. Its tradition of silent suffering covers a record of successful disparagement which already was old when Thomas Jefferson observed it with impatience and wrote his opinion of it. The governing class of England has worked for many generations with two doctrines, one of the inherent inferiority of other peoples who might become enemies, and the other of the abnormal ferocity and brutality of any people who did become an enemy.

To set this magnificient record of consistent and systematic belittling and horrifying aside as one of too much reticence or indifference or silent endurance of hurtful untruths is in itself magnificent, but it is too soon after 1914-1918 to try it. Americans who have been in touch with the products of British publicity know that wherever there is news of British origin concerning their own country it is poisoned. The news of America in London newspapers is mainly of the abnormalities, brutalities, and animosities of American political and social life. By British controlled news agencies it is thrown about the world until the world picture of the United States is one of a half savage people vulgarized by their money or brutalized by their superstitions and cruelties. The American protest against this is as old as Jefferson, and he in his day saw its purpose.

There is no prevailing unfriendliness here to Great Britain in the case of India. The government has given one proof of its sympathy a surrender of potential sea power and the abandonment of control to the British. It is no secret that the American Government regards the British position in India with more than amiable concern. Americans of any sense know that the British problem in India might be that of the United States in the Philippines. The British did not step in there yesterday, and with the most humane intentions they could not step out to-morrow. Generations bind each other whether it is to good or evil. The United States is not dragging the imperial delinquent to the bar of world opinion, but it would be only common sense if that fact were recognized and a few others allowed to lie dormant.

SIKH DELEGATES AND R. T. C.

Lahore Meeting Appreciates Their Stand

LAHORE, Dec. 23.
(By Mail.)

A meeting of the Sikhs of all shades of opinion was held on the 21st instant at the "Pipals", Lahore. Among those present were Hon. Sir Jogendarsingh, Sir Sardar Sundarsingh Majithia, Sardar Bhagsingh, Acting President, S. G. P. C., Sardar Bahadur Sardar Mehtabsingh, Sardar Amarsingh, Acting President, Central Sikh League, Giani Shersingh, Bhagat Jaswantsingh, Sardar Bahadur Dr. Kartarsingh, Sardar Santsingh, M.L.A., Sardar Harbansingh, M.L.A., Sardar Raghbirsingh, M.L.C., Sardar Mohansingh, M.L.C., and Sardar Harnamsingh, Advocate, Lahore. The following resolutions were unanimously passed:—

1. This representative meeting of the Sikhs whole-heartedly appreciates the services of the Sikh delegates to the Round Table Conference, approves the memorandum circulated by them regarding Sikh rights and advises them not to recede from the position taken therein.

2. This meeting further advises the Sikh delegates to the Round Table Conference to withdraw from the Conference in case the Sikh demand is not adequately conceded.

3. This meeting resolves that a concentrated campaign of Press and platform agitation for the protection of Sikh rights be vigorously carried on and with that object in view a Committee of the following members be constituted:—Sir Sardar Sundersingh Majithia, President, Sardar Harnamsingh, Advocate, Lahore, Secretary; Sardar Bishensingh, M.L.C., Lyallpur; Giani Shersingh, Sardar Amarsingh, Sardar Bahadur Sardar Mehtabsingh, Sardar Mahindarsingh Sidwan, Sardar Bhagsingh, Bhagat Jaswatsingh, Sardar Partapsingh.

4. This meeting resolves that the Sikh community views with great alarm and anxiety the Revised Instructions issued by the Census Commissioner giving option to every Sikh to have himself recorded as a Hindu also, and urges upon their immediate withdrawal.—A. P.

FRONTIER MUSLIMS FEARS

"Dominance Of Majority Community Unacceptable"

PESHAWAR, Dec. 23.
(By Mail.)

The North-West Frontier Provincial Khawanin, Rausa and Landed Gentry Association has sent a telegram to the Premier that "Frontier Muslims do not accept any constitution not providing safeguards against domination of the majority community in the future Indian Government. They insist on the grant of Frontier constitutional rights equal to those granted to India, special representation in services and administration on the population basis, and other economic protection. They urge separation of Sind."—A. P.

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MADRAS, Dec. 24.

A representative gathering of the citizens of Madras assembled in Pachiappa's Hall last evening, when speaker after speaker paid glowing tribute to the late Swami Shradhanandjee for the contributions he made towards the building up of the Indian Nation. Sjt. K. Nageswara Row Pantulu was in the chair.

Srimathy Shanta Devi and Srimathy Sarada Devi sang a few lovely songs before the commencement of the meeting.

SNUB TO SOUTH INDIA.

The Chairman observed that South India, which produced Ramanja and Sankara was stagnant to-day and most caste-ridden. He appreciated the work of the Arya Samajists in South India, who were out to free the people from superstition and darkness. "Our ancients" he continued "enjoyed full life, whereas we live only a compartmental life. In Swami Shradhanandjee we see the full life of the nation. What Swami Dayanandjee started Mahatma Gandhi is completing." In conclusion, he appealed to the audience to break asunder the shackless of religious bigotry, give up crude caste prejudices, widen our life, follow in the footsteps of India's great men and win Swaraj."

NOTHING TO INDIA.

Captain V. D. Nimbkar said that Suddhi or Sangattan was nothing new to India. Some of the stone inscriptions at Nasik bore testimony to the fact that even Greeks were converted to Hinduism and some of those converts were admitted into the Brahman fold. Maharaj Shivaji with the permission and blessings of the learned Pandits of the 18th century took into the Hindu fold many Maharashtra Princes, who had chosen the religion of Islam. Swami Shadhanand's idea in starting the Sudhi movement was only to remove those obstacles which stood in the way of these Hindus, who were straying away from coming back to Hinduism. In Maharashtra, he said, a new Shruti was coming into existence, which sought to adopt Hinduism to modern conditions. He said Hindu boys should be taught the philosophy of the religion and not the empty formalities of the religion.

"DISCIPLE'S TRIBUTE."

Pandit Kesav Dev, Gani, who is a graduate of the Gurukul founded by Swami Shradhanandjee and who was the Secretary of the Swamiji for some time said that Swami Shraddanandjee spent his life for the revival of the glorious religion of the Hindus. He longed to spend the evening days of his life in South India, that he might be able to rid the country of the curse of untouchability and unapproachability.

Mr. S. Mehta said Swami Shraddhanandjee's greatest contribution to India was his Gurukula.

Mr. R. Natesa Ayar, Advocate said that Swami Shradhanand was born as a hero, lived as a hero and died as a hero.

Swami Lakshmanananda, Mr. M. R. Jambunathan and Mr. Deveduta Vidvarthi also spoke.

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BRITAIN NOT READY FOR DRY CONTROL

But Drink Commission Wants All Hours The Same

The Licensing Commission, under the chairmanship of Lord Amulree, Secretary of State for Air, has now nearly finished hearing its evidence—which has occupied about twelve months—and the members of the Commission are now sorting out their opinions, ready to begin drafting their report, writes the "People".

It is already clear that there will be three main reports, and the number may be increased as the members get down to closer detail.

There is, however, general agreement that:

Great Britain is not ready for general prohibition.

"Opening hours" should be standardised all over the country, instead of differing from place to place as at present.

Apart from these general agreements, the three main reports that the Commissioners will present, will recommend three entirely different lines of future development for the licensing trade.

These are so divergent that the Government may find it impossible to take action on any of them—in which event the trade would be left almost alone.

"AS YOU WERE."

The first report virtually says "As you were." It wants the breweries and public-houses left under their present ownership, with the proprietors encouraged to improve the standard and amenities of their public-houses. And it wants the "pubs" to be protected from unfair competition on the part of clubs.

The second report will recommend the passing of a Bill to allow "Local Option," a system which already prevails in Scotland, where several districts, after voting themselves dry, changed their minds and went wet again.

The report will propose the extension of the principle to England, also.

STATE CONTROL?

The third report will recommend the development of what is known as "Disinterested Management" on the lines of the experiment that has been running since war time in Carlisle and district.

It suggests that the public-houses and breweries in certain areas—as decided by the inhabitants of those areas—should be purchased from their present owners by a Statutory Public Body, indirectly answerable to Parliament, and run as a kind of semi-Civil Service.

Faced with these widely-differing reports, it is hardly likely that the Government will be able to take any very far-reaching action, and the whole question of licensing reform may be delayed.

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A CHRISTMAS SERMON

Creation Of Character

"SOCIAL FULFILLMENT" THE IDEAL

(BY PROF. M. SUNDERLAL, M.A., B.D.)

Dean Inge has somewhere said that the present civilisation should either be mended or ended. "The cry of this age," says Dr. E. F. Scott, "is for a renovated social order." Dr. Hobhouse, in his great work "Social Development" tells us that the final purpose of the social development is to make a harmony of life through rational development. The recent Lambeth Conference consisting of 307 bishops felt convinced that "Modern progress has made the world a neighbourhood; God has given us the task of making it a brotherhood". Tagore wants us to live with an 'idea of humanity'. Mahatma Gandhi, would say "Feed the poor, so that they may see God."

India is absolutely distracted today; yet she is burning with just one idea—freedom. Independence is the goal of any state, says Aristotle, therefore India's passion for self expression and self determination, is a phenomenon hardly to be wondered at. Nearly, all the reformers offer some panacea, or other for the political and social ills. The ancient Hebrew prophet Amos, who lived three centuries, before Plato, preached "let judgment roll down as waters and righteousness as a mighty stream." The prophet Isaiah, who lived a little later than Amos set the heart of his people, in trouble, at ease, thus "in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength."

The gospel of Jesus is the simplest for understanding, but the stiffest for will. The true message of Jesus lies in his mission. Jesus says: "I am come that ye may have life and have it more abundantly". He preached to his people: "The truth shall make ye free". The mission of Jesus is best set forth in Luke 418. "The spirit of the Lord is upon me, he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, to set at liberty them that are bruised." The significance of these words will escape us, unless we read them alongside of Isaiah 61 1/2. The reader will note that Jesus omitted the phrase "the day of Vengeance of our God" in his reading. The omission is significant, Christ stands for peace and good will among all sorts of people and not for condemnation. In the world of Jesus, none can be allowed to go to the wall. The message of the Christmas is still clearly set forth in Mary's song Luke 1, 51-53. "He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seats, and exalted them of low degree."

Christmas has always been associated with unmixed joy. Mary's song hardly warrants such a thing. Jesus had little joy in his life, of any kind, except that of service. "The Son of Man", he said "has come to minister and not to be ministered unto" Jesus was the Suffering Servant pictured by Isaih. Absolute joy for Jesus lies in the consummation of his purpose for human life. The teaching of the New Testament can be summed up in "suffer for others". Of those who have caught the spirit of the Master in our day, Mahatma Gandhi is the chief. I should think, the Mahatma, inasmuch as, he is on the side of the hungry poor and God, is the best Christmas Sermon for 1930.

Jesus of Nazareth speaks to the whole world, only if it were to hear him. He has spoken at different times through His people, the Christian Church. How does the Church to-day speak for Him? The church is a "fellowship of witness". But the church which is to be the light of the world, lags behind; it hesistates and wavers between authority and God. The early christians, we are told, "turned the world upside down."

To-day, the Church is not sure even if its own house is in order. It is content with preaching a religion of good form and respectability. The religion of Jesus is an adventure into the proper valuation of human life in all its fullness. Instead of a Christian preacher being a power in the land, his voice is dimmest to-day. Let him once more read Mary's song.

The Christians often contend that Jesus offered no guidance regarding political matters. The famous saying of Jesus "Render unto God the things that are God's and render unto Ceasar the things that are Ceasar's "has done incalculable harm, inasmuch as the commentators have found two conflicting loyalties in the words of Jesus. To the close readers of the gospel story, the emphasis of Jesus on life is as clear as daylight. God and Ceasar may be distinguishable, but they are not separable. God must comprehend Ceasar. In the mind of Jesus God is first. One, who accepts God, as first, finds no meaning in earthly distinctions. Shall we obey God or man? In the scheme of Jesus, the little ones have the utmost consideration; any one who offends any of the little ones, is to be thrown into the sea with a millstone round his neck. Let the Christmas of 1930 give us a new meaning of the little ones,—the little ones in the realm of religion culture, society, politics, economics etc. The ethics of Jesus does not stand only for the preservation of virtues, but for the creation of character. Christ wants neither social control nor social development but social fulfilment. This is exactly what Bertrand Russel means in these words. "Understanding of human nature must be the basis of any real improvement in human life. Science has done wonders, in making the laws of the physical world but our nature is much less understood, yet than, the nature of stars and electrons. When science learns to understand human nature, it will be able to bring a happiness into our lives, which machines and physical sciences have failed to achieve."

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PERJURY RAMPANT IN BRITAIN

Judge's Startling Indictment.

WOMEN MOST SKILFUL LIARS

"In my view prejury can never have been more rife than it is at the present time. The oath is rapidly losing its sanctity. Too often it is looked upon as a mere formality.

Mr. Justice McCardie made this serious indictment in delivering the annual Maudsley lecture at the British Medical Association offices. He declared that women are particularly clever prejurers, but in his experience no prejurers were cooler than murderers in giving evidence.

He felt compelled to say that prejury was committed in greater or less degree in a majority of the civil and criminal cases that came on for trial before the courts. The Ordinary layman had little conception of the repulsive amount of false evidence that was given.

LAW'S DELAY

"Complaint is sometimes made of the length of legal procedure," he went on. "Let me point out at once that if perjury could be stopped the length of the trials would, in the large majority of cases, be incredibly short. It is, as a rule, the basic cause of prolonged hearing on questions of fact. Moreover, if perjury were generally renounced as an instrument of misleading the Courts, the civil litigation would at once fall to a mere fraction of its present volume, and criminal trials would occupy less than half the time they now demand. Perjury is, indeed, a terrible evil and menace.

"Perhaps the most glaring type of perjury has arisen since the Criminal Evidence Act 1898 which enables all persons charged with crime to give their evidence on oath in the witness-box.

"Perjury by a person accused is now, I regret to say, regarded a being the normal incident of a contested criminal trial. It has ceased to surprise. It has become almost a matter of course.

"Go if you will to any criminal assize court, and you will hear day by day an almost incredible amount of deliberate falsehood committed not only by the man charged, but also, I may add, by wife or child or relative or friend who may be called to support his defence.

LAW OF PERJURY

"If the offence was followed by prosecution (assuming that technical requirements could be fulfilled), then the criminal courts of this country would, I fear, be engaged every day of the year in trying offender against the law of perjury. Every experienced lawyer knows that the aggregate of knowlingly false or misleading statements in affidavits passes belief.

"I think," added Mr. Justice McCardie, "that deliberately false evidence is but criminal cast of anything approaching a serious nature. The exceptions to this general statement are to be found in cases where children or girls, and sometimes grown women, give evidence against men who are charged with sexual offences. In these cases the evidence of children, girls and women is often, and most seriously, tainted with falsity.

IN DIVORCE COURT

"Perjury is but rarely committed by those who are petitioners for divorce or by witnesses who are called in support of the petition. The bulk of perjury in the Divorce Court is committed by those who are actually charged with misconduct.

"Nevertheless, through the experience and knowledge of the judges, informed by long experience at the Bar, and through the powerful weapon of cross-examination wielded by counsel justice is in fact done to a very large and satisfactory degree."

Witnesses of the self-possessed type, Mr. Justice McCardie stated, are the ablest perjures, but the person charged with murder gives his evidence in the coolest manner.

"I recall but few persons so charged," he went on, "who have not given their testimony in a quite, confident, almost dispassionate way, with adroitness of reply, ingenuity of explanation and singular ease of manner."

KU KLUX KLAN.

World's Most Highly Organised "Racket."

RAPID DECLINE

The gradual decline in power and membership in the Ku Klux Klan is discussed in a report of the order recently made public here. What was considered once as being the world's most highly organized "racket," both politically and financially, is now looked upon as, merely a crumbling shell, hastily approaching oblivion. Nevertheless, it is making a last desperate stand to control the ballot box and exact a tribute for political power.

A history of the most infamous organization shows that beginning with its incorporation in 1920 with Atlanta as headquarters, it grew by untold leaps and bounds, reaching the pinnacle of its political and financial power in 1925. According to the records, the membership in 1924 was 8,904,871—comprising chapters in every state in the country and the District of Columbia.

FABULOUS WEALTH DISAPPEARS.

Certain members of the old organization seek from time to time to obtain an accounting of its funds. It is a mystery to them what was done with the once fabulous wealth that was amassed. Thousands of them have never been able to learn from Imperial Wizard Hiram W. Evans and his select circle of "knights" what has become of that once immense wealth.

In order to show how much wealth was amassed by the organization, the report listed the membership fees. Each new member paid a joining fee of $10, giving in this department alone a source of nearly ninety millions of dollars. Because the organization held a monopoly on the sale of its regalia and robes an enormous sum was realized from this source. It is estimated that more than half the members wore regalia, and each outfit retailed at from $5 to $40, depending on the office and splendor of the attire.

MEMBERSHIP DROPS.

At the height of its power in 1925 the Klan had a record-high membership in Michigan of 875,130. The states next in order were New Jersey with 720,220; Texas, 450,000; Kentucky, 441,560 and Ohio, 400,000. The Williamson episode in Indiana and the Herrin riots in Illinois were two of the most important factors in demoralizing the order and causing its downfall. When these two atrocious cases were presented to the American public interest in the order begun to wane, and the next year saw a decease in the ranks of membership.

In June 1930, a report of membership listed a total of 34,694 scattered throughout the country. Pennsylvania, with a total of 4,279, leads all of the states. Virginia has 1,593, Maryland 516, District of Columbia 124 and North Carolina, long regarded as a hotbed of kluxism, has 107.

EVANS TO REMAIN HEAD.

Although the constitution of the order stipulates that the Imperial Wizard be elected every four years, it seems as if the present office holder Hiram W. Evans of Atlanta, will remain in office as long as he chooses to do so. By virtue of the fact that he appoints the grand dragons, the group which elects the officers in secret sessions, his rule is complete. In Chicago last summer Evans was re-elected after previously having canvassed the order to determine whether or not any sentiment prevailed against him.—"Negro World."

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IS INDIA WORTH HOLDING?

Dr. Thompson's New Version Of Trusteeship

Edward Thompson writes in the "Spectator."

Is there another controversy so far out of touch with reality as the Indian one? In the *New York Herald Tribune* (Books," October 19th) Professor Norman Brown, of Pennsylvania University, remarks that trade is one reason why "Britain will not willingly loose her grasp." on India. This, and "the importance of holding India to guarantee communications with the Federated Malay States, Australia and New Zealand, and to protect commerce with China ... are elementary facts, and no appreciation of British action is at all possible without understanding that these considerations are in the forefront for determining policy". These arguments, as I can testify, hold the platform outside our own country; it is asserted that British "navalism" and economic interests make it certain that the Round Table Conference will prove mere eye-wash. There is no need to waste time on the former argument in reasoning with our own people. They know that their communication with the Far East, long before they reach India, pass through a land-locked sea in which the powerful fleets of France and Italy operate. No one suggests that we ought to occupy Europe (and India is the size of Europe, less Russia) to safeguard them. The one good harbour in Indian waters is Trincomalee, in Ceylon; India's own coastline goes "cranking" in, in two huge concaves, far off our direct route.

But Professor Brown's other argument has got to be faced sooner or later. One thing making against a settlement is this: outside England no considerable body of opinion accepts our good faith. Especially is it held that our material stake in India will make us fight to the last ditch against a genuine handing over of power. Many in our own midst, who are anxious to see the whole shabby quarrel closed, hesitate from the knowledge of our own economic embarrassments and the dread of precipitating a large part of our prosperity into chaos. I believe that the Indians now in London have success in their hands, if they can help us here. Their first speakers spoke out like statesmen when they assured this country that they dissociated themselves from the debts repudiation talk and intended to be fair to British business. The Princes' adherence to the federation proposal, in this as in other matters, has brought a sense of security. I do not exaggerate the Princes' wealth. But, taken together, they have large interests in enterprise that carries British names; and they hold a good deal of Government of India Stock, and have of recent years taken up the railway loans.

WEALTH OF INDIA.

Can we not drag the whole Indian controversy on to the plane of open examination? This is what the outside world, Indians, and some of our people believe: India is a country of vast resources, from which we draw big revenues; she provides employment for many British officials and a tremendous market for our trade. Nothing in the whole discussion so amazes me, secondhand as I know all Indian discussion to be, as the way we have let this economic question go unexamined, decade after decade. In the long shiftless story nothing more vividly shows up the casual and desultory nature of our interest in India. As for the alleged natural wealth of India, I own myself a complete sceptic. It is assumed, so far as I can discover, mainly from a few ecstatic ejaculations of early travellers. These ejaculations can be matched (but rarely are) by the appalled and pitying surprise of others. And no one seems to have seen that these early travellers came, not from the brick-built solid Europe of to-day, but from a civilization of huts as well as mansions, detail by detail as squalid as ever India has been. Where display and wealth were concerned, they had a low standard; astonishment had a low ignition-point. To-day it is the East that is surprised. When Vivekananda carried the Aryan wisdom to America, he was at first oppressed by what seemed a magnificence beyond anything he had imagined. As for India, if Burma is taken away, it is hard to see that her mineral resources are out of the ordinary. She has grand forests; and large denuded tracts also. Her fisheries cannot be adequately exploited, for religious reasons. The same is true of agriculture; she can have no adequate farming while the cow is worshipped. All this is her own business; and she is just entitled to keep her reverence for the cow as we are to keep our hedges, if she cares (as we do) to pay the economic price. I should like to see an impartial Commission, preferably American, go into this whole question of India's resources. No people understand the work of scientific exploration of economic facts better than the Americans. An essential part of the reconstruction of India is the raising of the wretched standard of life! Will the Round Table Conference face the economic position? Mr. Gandhi is consistent when he assails the Land Tax, the Salt Tax, Excise, which together bring in not far short of half of the grotesquely tiny total revenue of all India, Centre and and Provinces combined, £160,000,000; for he is prepared to see India lapse to a primitive social basis. But the Nationalists who claim that India is "entitled" to as good a system of education as England or America, and yet have shaken the flimsy revenue structure to its bottom, are not consistent. Worse trouble than even the present is ahead of us if the Conference, after passing resolutions for universal education, better roads and social services, disperses without the least notion of where the money is to be found.

TRUTH ABOUT HOLDING INDIA.

A noble lord distinguished in the newspaper world is being quoted as having said that of every five shillings of the British income one shilling comes from India. "Think, Abib! (dost thou think?"). On January 1st, 1929, India gave direct employment to 8,000 British. 3,529 in all the superior services (I.C.S. 894) 3,500 Indian Army Officers, 800 ex-soldiers acting as instructors in the police. Seven thousand four hundred and ninety-nine British were drawing pensions, a number abnormally swollen by premature retirement, and in any case bound to shrink very greatly and increasingly. Our trade has fallen steadily through many years; this year it will hardly be 5 per cent. of our world trade. But there is British capital invested in India. Well, how much? Financiers throw millions of pounds about, as astronomers throw millions of miles. A few years ago it used to be estimated at four hundred million pounds. It suddenly jumped to eight hundred; now it is being called a thousand million pounds. What is it really? How much is merely on paper? How much, though nominally British, is Indian? We know that the greater part of the money in jute, for example, is Indian. And what will British capital be worth after another six years like the past half-dozen? Is any one in these islands foolish enough to think we can force our trade on a hostile market, and must "hold" India for commercial reasons?

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And also, remove this belief—rampant outside Britain, lingering among ourselves—that to "hold" India is essential to our material prosperity. Is there any reason why Indians should wish to stay in the Empire, except for solid, practical gain in a score of ways? Or why Britain should not "walk out of India"—except self-respect and the feeling that India is entitled to a better deal than abandonment to disaster? Unless the present hatred can be allayed, both our capital and our enterprise are immobilized. And we continue to stand before the world in a false position—to gain what? Is not the nation entitled to be told?

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ANONYMOUS LETTERS KEEP TOWNS IN FRANCE UPSET.

Three Scandals In One Month.

Within the last month three scandals of annoymous letters have been important enough to get considerable space in the Paris press. They occurred in widely separated points of French territory: one at Armentieres, near Lille; one at Thury-Harcourt, in Normandy south of Caen; and one in a village near Toulouse.

Affairs of anonymous letters seem to be unusually common in France. (Here might be a study for some freak and demon statistician—a comparison con this subject by nationalities). By affairs I do not mean, of course, the casual anonymous letter that any man may receive, telling or hinting that his wife is no better than she should be that his business partner is an ex-convict or that his son and heir is gambling at the races writes Alex-Small in the "Chicago Tribune."

Only when they have tragic consequences, which is rarely, does the public hear of these anonymous letters. But a real affair is one in which hundreds of them descend within a short time on one community and set it in an uproar, breaking up homes and old friendships and infusing their venom into all relations. For men may say what they will about throwing anonymous letters away contemptuously and never giving them a second thought, some of the poison lingers and, with repetition, even the most level head will be turned.

Within the last five years three of these affairs became so important that they were front-page stories in the Paris newspapers. The scene of one of them was Tulle, in the heart of the 'Massif Central.' This was on the largest scale of all the affairs. Tulle was turned upside down by what were called the "poison-pen" letters, and it is no village; it has a population of about 15,000.

The feature of this case was the enormous number of the letters, thousands of which were wirtten over a period of three months. They apparently had no rhyme nor reason, for they hit people in all trades and stations of life and of widely different social circles. All sorts of random accusations were in them—mostly of conjugal infidelity and of swindling.

The quantity, diversity, and apparent pointlessness of the letters made identification of the authors extremelly difficult. The trail finally led to a lonely couple of females, a mother and daughter. Proof against them was never absolute, for they denied everything, but after they were sent to jail the shower of anonymous letter ceased.

CRUSADE AGAINST A FAMILY

A like affair stirred up the country gentry of the region near Lorient in 1926 and 1927. This was a quite different sort of affair, for the lettters came only to a little group, a homogenous society. They were all the impoverished descendants of petty nobility, keenly conscious of their rank and still trying in the 20th century to live in feudal style among a respectful peasantry. They were all more or less blood relations, so that it was almost a family affair.

A humble house-painter in the little Breton town which was scene of this scandal was accused of being the author of the anonymous letters. To hush things up he was not dragged into court, but he was punished privately even more severely. Disgraced in the eyes of his fellow townsmen, he lost all his business. Seeing his family, once modestly prosperous, reduced to poverty, he committed suicide. Public opinion was satisfied that he was guilty, however; it had the solemn assurance of a handwriting expert who had been called down from Paris.

About three months after his death a fresh flood of anonymous letters, in the same hand as before and with similar accusations broke over the hapless Breton gentry. A fresh investigation revealed the culprit in one of their own number, the one who had been most zealous in fastening guilt on the house-painter. Or rather, he was of slightly lower caste than the one into which his wealth had enabled him to marry.

There, if you will, could be found the motive—rancor at being treated with condescension by the social group to whose level he had supposed he was raising himself. Then the scandal burst into an open trial, at which the dumb-founded handwritting expert had to murmur something about how all mortals are subject to error. His error cost one man his life.

THIRD AFFAIR

A third affair took place in some small town of central France—Glen, I believe. What marked of the terms in which the anonymous letters brought their infamous accusations. The business was apparently settled privately, for I never read of any trial, and Paris newspapers, after carrying the story for about a week, however, brought it. One investigator, however, brought out some curious points, which should have been of interest to students of abnormal psychology.

Many of the letters, and especially the most obscene ones, were received by a young girl, about 20, an invalid and extremely devout. She had made a pilgrimage to Lourdes, where according to her own account, she had been the object of divine favour, though her parsin priest was less affirmative. Never in her life had she received any attention from men, as might be expected of an invalid.

None the less letters written to her directly informed her that her scandalous goings-on with the village swains would soon be publicly exposed. The nature of the goings was specified with a wealth and precision of erotic detail which would have made a street-trollon blush.

The devout and invalid lady had her own idea about th author of this scurrilus stuff, who must also be the author of similar letters which were setting the whole town in a turmoil, representing stodgy hay-and-feed men as satyrs and placid housewives as Messalinas. It was also a young girl, but one not an invalid, not pious to exaggeration, and the object of considerable attention from the young men of town.

Incidentally, the accused had been a great girlhood friend of the accuser. Their friendship had cooled off just after the return from Lourdes, when the healthy one had been slow about listening to stories of the miraculous intervention, had even made some cutting and skeptical remarks about the budding saint.

No one believed the accusation, least of the parish priest, who seems to have been a man of human understanding. He also seems to have bent his efforts toward restraining, father than encouraging, the excessive piety of his young parishioner. He thought it a very sad case about which the less said the better.

EARTHQUAKE PREDICTED BY RAINBOW

A Japanese Peasant's Ingenuity.

According to latest estimates the casualties and damages from earthquake which occurred in Tokio on November 25th, and which is considered the most tragic since 1929, are as follows: dead, 252. injured 143; houses destroyed, 1,550; houses partially destroyed, 4,600.

The central meteorological observatory of Tokio issued a statement to the effect that the seismologists were well aware of the impending quake and were preparing to publish warnings for the inhabitants of the stricken regions, but before their preparations were complete the disaster occurred, says Tokio cable to "Chicago Tribune."

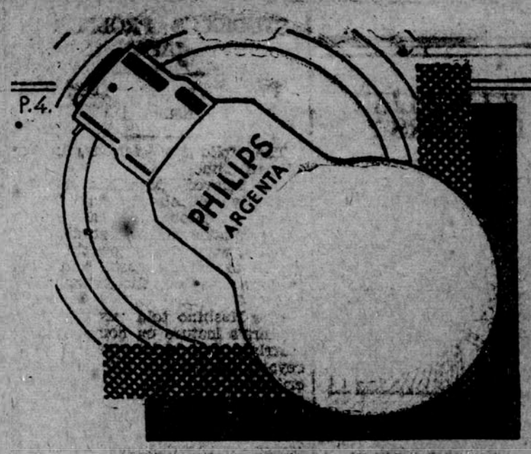
It is further stated that expert are agreed that the construction of the Tanna Tunnel accelerated the seismic activity Meanwhile, scientists must how before the prescience displayed by a farm laborer who, on the eve of the quake despatched a telegram to Dr. Ishino, head of the Department of Science at Kyoto University, foretelling the exact time and place of the catastrophe. His actual telegram was reproduced in a Tokio newspaper.

ASTONISHED BY WARNING

Ishino states that he was astounded by the warning of the quake and that when special editions were shouted in the streets of Tokio he immediately communicated the strange telegram to Dr Shida, Professor of Seismology at the University.

The prophet, who is aged 27 and named Kukushira says that shortly before midday, while standing on the peach, he observed what he described as "an earthquake-forecasting rainbow" above him, and that he returned home and worked out on a chart which he had devised the day and hour for the disturbance.

Kukushira's calculations were exact. Meanwhile, the railway commission is appointing an engineering and geological commission to examine the Tanna Tunnel condition, which is admittedly serious. It has taken 12 years to drive the tunnel through rock. It is five miles long and has cost about $10,000,000.



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Nira Cane Growers' Grievances

Mr. T. V. Ganpule, B. Ag. Hon. Secretary, Godavari Irrigators' Association, Kopargaon has addressed the following letter to the Secretary to Government, Irrigation and Railways, Bombay:—

"I am directed by my Association to invite your attention to the recent developments on the Nira Left Bank Canal. It appears that cultivators on that side have cancelled their new 1:4 block applications (beginning from 1931-32 onwards) as 1:4 block system is uneconomic. At the interview with the Hon. the General Member in charge of Irrigation on 23rd September 1930 it was understood that Government were willing to retain 1:3 block system and formal orders to that effect only remained to be issued after the necessary reference to the Agricultural Department. 2. Cane cultivation has become specially onerous; none can say to what low levels the rates of jaggery would go down in the near future. 3. Under the circumstances the insistence on the retention of 1:4 system will be highly detrimental to the interests of cane growers. 4. My Association fully sympathise with the particularly difficult position of Nira cane growers. 5. In the memorandum No. 2240 of 1930, dated 27th September 1930 to the President Nira Left Bank Canals Irrigators' Association, Mr. Inglis states "As regards the Nira Left Bank Canal Block revision that is being done on 1:4 basis under Government orders and the work has probe made next year at this stage, no matter what may be the outcome of this question. 6. This attitude on the part of Mr. Inglis has created unnecessary misunderstanding amongst Nira Cane growers especially when the interview with the General Member has cleared up the position and the Nira cane growers were daily expecting Government orders in favour of 1:3 system. 7. The difficulty in going back to 1:3 system as suggested by Mr. Inglis is nothing as compared to the enormous loss the cultivators would be required to undergo and it can be easily surmounted if a sympathetic and kind consideration is given to their case. 8. The difficulty may be easily solved by continuing the present 1:3 blocks for a year more by taking fresh applications for the period. In the meantime the revision may again be made on a 1:3 basis for the new block period. 9. There is a wave of general discontent coupled with the present world-wide depression. Cultivators are already undergoing heavy losses. 10. In stance of 1:4 system will only increase the unnecessary misunderstanding and will lead to great loss both to the cultivators as well as to Government. 11. My Association request Government to pass speedy orders in favour of 1:3 block system so that the Nira Left Bank Canal cultivators may be able to commence their January plantations in time.

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STUDENT'S PROBLEM IN JAPAN.

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Protest Against Teacher's Dismissal

The following appears in the "Japan Times":

Our beloved Mrs. Kimura was suddenly dismissed frim Tsuda College on october 17, 1930. We, as the graduates who had studied under her, wanted to know the exact reason of her dismissal, and went to Miss Hoshino, the principal of Tsuda College.

Miss Hoshino told us that Mrs. Kimura's lecture on companionate marriage and birth control went beyond the limit of the class-room criticism, and that she dismissed her in order to make clear the college viewpoint against hers. In short, Miss Hoshino reduced her reason to the difference between the college viewpoint and that of Mrs. Kimura in regard to companionate marriage and birth control.

Then we went to see Mrs. Kimura. She said that Miss Hoshino's reason for dismissing her was that she used the sociology class for the propaganda of companionate marriage and birth control.

It seems strange that there is a difference between the reasons which Miss. Hoshino gave to us and to Mrs. Kimura. Also Miss Hoshino said that she did not know the contents of the lecture. Then we cannot make out why she could declare that the lecture was a propaganda or that Mrs. Kimura's lecture was contrary to the principles of the College.

We ourselves heard the very lecture accused by Miss Hoshino, and all of us declare that Mrs. Kimura's lecture was not such as Miss Hoshino imagined. It was a critical and unbiassed discussion about companionate marriage and birth control. We were taught the real meaning of campanionate marriage and the actual problem of birth control, but it had no sense of propaganda whatever in it. We believe that no one who heard the lecture thought it inadequate for a class-room, or that none of us was spoiled by it. On the contrary, as the subject treated were the imminent problem of our real life, we may well thank Mrs. Kimura for enlightening us in it. We also lay claims for Mrs. Kimura that she has noble character and a warm mother's heart and the degree of PH.D. And it will be a great loss for Tsuda College thus to lose such a professor after having lost Miss Tsuda.

Lastly, we appeal to public opinion and heartily wish Miss Hoshino to reconsider the matter.

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NEMESIS OF INDUSTRIALISM

The plight of eight million people in the United States punctuates the economic malaise that has poisoned for centuries the cultural nourishment of Governments. The United States are reputed to have more money than any other country. The people of the United States are in the reserved circle on the front row of the world's enlightened citizens. After the Great War the United States alone signed the armistice with clean hands. In the scramble for the spoils of war, crimson with the life blood of millions who died to kill lust and avarice and diplomacy, the United States left the division of the booty to those who had made the war an opportunity to aggravate oppression and intensify international strife. Chief among the nations of the West, if France is excluded, the United States stand for a cultural idealism that is quickened by the yeast of the wisdom of the ages. Industrially and commercially the United States take an easy first place. In research and in plucking "the secrets of the latest moon." Americans have contributed an outstanding quota to the world's knowledge. The humanities are more respected in the United States than elsewhere, omitting Soviet Russia. American finance controls international polity. American prestige brought Great Britain as a fulsome negotiator for disarmament. The standard of living in the United States is reflected in the social convention that the badge of poverty is possession of only a two seater.

This country, God's elect since the Pilgrim Fathers sought in a new world a religious tolerance denied to them in the old, is in the grip of starvation, caused by unemployment and preceded by the failure of many banks. Rows of hazzard, poverty-stricken purchasers are buying apples at dole prices to assuage hunger. Thousands of clerks and middle class people are waiting in despairing querries to get work as menials. Children are kept in bed all day because parents cannot afford the fuel to warm the house. Relief work on a colossal scale brings hardly an appreciative amelioration of hardship. City authorities have had, according to a "Statesman" cable, to lock up dust-bins to prevent the starving eating garbage. At St. Louis, the fourth manufacturing city of the United States, with property valued at pounds 260,000,000, the food problem has had tragic reactions. In these cryptic words human hunger pang in a prosperous city is dismissed.

There is something inhumanely wrong and mischievous in the outlook of our civilisation when experiences such as these are inseparable from, if not identified with, system of Government. Food first and then shelter are the prime need of existence. Among humans the need is reinforced by the moral sense that separates men from animals. For at least six thousand years men have experimented with vital matters in the intervals between making graven images to themselves. One of these graven immages, the biggest save one unsheathing a bloody sword, is to industrialism licking the sores of its evil brood. Modern systems of Government have two cardinal considerations, both perverse. How to multiply capital and thereby serve class and how to take what another cannot keep are "raison d'etre" of Governments Industrialism today is the most accommodating wench of class and capital and by industrialism Governments rise or fall. Tariffs, economic preferences, people's revenue, commercial missions, empire consolidation, subcontinent exploitation, transport development, navy and army and air force are manipulated to make richer the rich and push the mass farther off from class.

The revolt of mass against class is always a post on the road of progress, Not many such posts stand in the history of man: else were the twentieth century far removed from the first in its human outlook. All the civilised world over the mass has happily been leavened with a new leaven Crowns have toppled over ancient imperial brows. Aristocracies of birth, the "best of the litter" principle, hereditary drones spiritual and temporal and wealth worship are less offensive to-day than they were fifteen years ago. A new class is prising from the world wrangle of Industrialism Captains of industry are their class insignia and finance is their family prestige. They are a more dangerous class than their decrepit predecessors. For they bring desolation and starvation to thousands instead of hundreds. Their industrial adventures bring about a glut or a slump, equally inisuitous to the wage earner. Their manipulation of capital sheets up banks. Their combines kill small competition. Their projects create international enmities. Their money feeds vultures of war. Their greed enslaves communities and countries. Their pleasures reach the peak of selfishness and intoleranre and extravagance. Their purpose served or their plans gone skew, they throw the unemployed to wolves of sporadic relief and tardy charity. Unemployment, nemesis of industrialism, is to-day the terror of the mass and may to-morrow be the salvation of the mass. There comes a point in positive mischief when mischief works its destruction. Unemployment of the mass has reached that point in Western Europe and the Uniaed States.

("Liberty")

BRITAIN'S WEALTH FIGURES

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Sir J. Stamp's Estimate Of Nation's Capital.

Impressive figures representing his calculation of the national capital at the present time were given by Sir Josiah Stamp in his inaugural address as president of the Royal Statistical Society.

Britain national capital has now he stated, reached an estimation total of £24,445,000,000 gross and £18,045,000,000 net

The figures are subject to a statistical approximation, or "extreme margin of possible doubt," of £1,350,000,000.

Sir Josiah said his studies showed that we had spent the whole of our natural savings for about six years following 1914, and lost a quarter of our foreign investments. We had then saved somewhere about £450,000,000 a year for the next eight years.

There had been no detailed investigation or computation of national capital since his own for 1914 of £14,310,000,000. All subsequent references to national capital had been based on this, with rough modifications and additions. It had been well-nigh impossible to construct a post war estimate with any success until recently, because over no period had the conditions remained stable for sufficiently long.

The effect of the excess profits duty, and then the effect of the inflation and the slump of 1920, the return to the gold standard and the recent collapse in prices, were all disturbing factors.

A number of new and very baffling proolems had arisen which the old methods were inadequate to deal with properly. The restriction of rents, housing subsidies, and large governmental expenditure on roads, all raised curious problems of valuation. But the most important of all was the proper treatment of the colossal National Debt the old method of merely deducting the National Debt from the value of State property being no longer appropriate.

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WAR ON GANGSTERS

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Uncle Sam Wakes Up. At Last

EXTORTION FROM CRADLE TO GRAVE.

Washington is to wage war on gangster and "racketeer" operations all over the United States. Legislation to deal with the evil will be proposed in Congress next month by Representative Woodruff of Michigan.

"America to-day is honeycombed with gunmen, blackmailers, and organised crime," declared Mr. Woodruff, "and the job of coping effectively with as unexampled situation is too big for State county, and civic authorities. To clean up the mess the Federal Government must show the way and provide far more effective legal tools than the country possesses at the present time."

In an effort to show how "racketeering" reaches across the boundaries of the States, Mr. Woodruff points out that "Scarface" Capone and other gangsters in Chicago have stretched out to California and threatened the life of a man who is selling grape-juice in Chicago without the permission of the "worshipful order of bootleggers."

Inter-State ramifications of gangsters and "racketeers" on a scale to justify the intervention of the Federal authorities, says Mr. Woodruff, are also proved by the practice of gang leaders in Chicago, of importing gunmen from Detroit and other cities to put their enemies "on the spot".

Fifty complaints from victims of 15 different "rackets" are now in the hands of Public Prosecutor Crane of New York, following his effort to form a Committee of Public Safety to end the gangster evils.

"The grip of 'rackets' on New York," says Mr. Crane, "is unbelievable extending from the cradle to the grave—from babies' milk to funeral coaches."

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CASE POSTPONED TO JAN. 6.

MATTER HAS "DRAGGED ON FOR NEARLY A MONTH," PROTESTS VALLABHBHAI

A huge crowd collected near Esplanade Police Station on Friday morning to have a "darshan" of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel who was to be tried by the Chief Presidency Magistrate that day. The Chief Presidency Magistrate, however, was not sitting at the Esplanade Police Court owing to X'mas Holidays, and Sardar Vallabhbhai was removed to the Girgaon Police Court where once again a remand was granted.

Sardar Vallabhbhai accompanied by Miss Maniben Patel, came to the Court at 11-10 a.m. and spent about 25 minutes talking with Swami Anand and Mrs. Lilawati Munshi. As soon as Mr. I. N. Mehta took his seat, Mr. R. P. Thanawalla, Bar.-at-Law, Police Prosecutor, applied for a remand, and said Mr. Patel was charged under Section 17 (1) and (2) before the Chief Presidency Magistrate. As the learned Chief Presidency Magistrate was not sitting that day, and the learned Public Prosecutor was not appearing, he requested Mr. Mehta to grant a short adjournment till the 6th January. That was submitted, Mr. Thanawalla, a part-heard matter.

Questioned by the Magistrate, if he had any objection to the adjournment, Sardar Vallabhbhai replied that though he did not take part in the proceedings, he would point out that the case against him had dragged on for nearly a month, and if the prosecution had any evidence to tender, the trial would finish in quarter of an hour.

The Magistrate noted the objection and postponed hearing of the case before the Chief Presidency Magistrate till 6th January.

24 CONGRESSMEN & VOLUNTEERS REMANDED TILL JAN. 8.

Sequel To Christmas Day Arrests

The twenty-four persons arrested in the raid on X'mas Day were then placed before Mr. I. N. Mehta. They were (1) Mulraj Kursondas, (2) Yusuf Meherally, (3) K. K. Menon (4) C. K. Narayanswamy, (5) Dost Mohmed Janmohmed, (6) Ekambar Iyer, (7) Kaul, (8) Johory, (9) Madhavji Gangji (10) Vithal Jayant Deshpande, (11) Umashanker Parashnath, (12) Jadhavrao, (13) Gopal Komi, (14) Tukaram Dalvi (15) Shivlal Ambalal, (16) Suleman Jafferali Ibrahim, (17) Sitaram Luxmon Sausare (18) Babubhai Jaswal Patel, (19) Vilapa Kanapa, (20) S. J. Nadkarni, (21) Narayan Koraje, (22) Ramchandra Daya', (23) Lalbhai Patel and (24) D. R. Munshi. Mr. Ekamber Iyer being in hospital, he was not present in the Court.

Mr. Thanawalla, asked for postponement of the case against the accused till the 8th January. Mr. Thanawala said a large number of attached documents in the searches were to be scrutinised and some more persons were still to be arrested.

REMANDED.

Mr Tejani, pleader, on behalf of Dostmohmed accused No. 5 requested the Court not to remand him to jail custody but to send him to the Esplanade Lock-Up. The Magistrate remarked that he would not make distinction between the accused. Replying to the Magistrate, Mr. Chowdhary of the C. I. D. said that he had no objection if the accused was kept in the Esplanade Lock-Up. The Magistrate sent all the accused to jail custody except Dostmohmed who was sent to the Esplanade Lock-Up. The case was adjourned till 8th January.

DE-OFFICIALISE CO-OPERATIVE MOVEMENT

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Prof. Y. N. Iyer's Plea

NEW DELHI, Dec. 23.
(By Mail.)

"De-officialise" the co-operative movement, use it as a level for rural uplift not only by providing cheap money to the poor peasant but also by removing illiteracy and extending sanitation; and use it no less in urban areas by supplying articles like milk to the consumers." This was the burden of a lecture delivered under the auspices of the Madras Club Co-operative Society this evening at the New Delhi Y. M. C. A. Hall under the chairmanship of Mr. K. C. Roy, M.L.A., by Professor Yagna Narain Iyer of the Madras Pachaiyappa's College and President of the Madras Provincial Co-operative Union. The Professor is en route to Benares with about 400 others from South India to attend the All-Asian Federation of Teachers' Conference.

Tracing the growth of the movement in India, Mr. Yagna Narayana Iyer deplored that from the beginning it suffered from being purely an organisation for relieving the indebtedness of the agriculturist by providing money at interest lower than that of the usurious money-lender and completely ignoring the causes of the agriculturists' indebtedness. There was no attempt made to increase the productive capacity of the ryot or even to provide him with cottage industries during the off-seasons.

Mr. K. C. Roy in his concluding remarks made it clear that it was not possible to expect complete "de-officialisation" so long as legislation for co-operative societies was in the hands of legislature. Even in regard to audit Government would like to remain in control over the societies. But what was needed was a Government itself run on the basis of co-operation and to that they were all looking forward. Meanwhile the Act of 1904 under the co-operative societies' movement inaugurated in the time of Lord Curzon needed thorough revision in the light of the experiences gained in its working in the various provinces.—A. P.

BOOTLEGGING IN U. S. A.

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Huge Cargo Of Liquor Seized

LONDON, Dec. 25.

NEW YORK.—A message from New London (Connecticut), says that a coast-guard cutter has captured a vessel, stated to be the British supply boat "Audrey B." near Montauk Point and arrested the crew of the ten.

It is alleged that the Cutter has seized cargo of liquor valued at 100 000 dollars.

The capture followed case in which several shells from the cutter damaged the "Audrey B."—Reuter.

RAIN IN MADRAS AND DECCAN.

POONA, Dec. 26.

There has been local rain in South-east Madras with a few falls in Madras Deccan and the North Madras Coast.

The western disturbance is feeble.

Chief amounts of rainfall are Nellore two inches, Palamcottah Vellore and Coonoor a half, and Madura and Madras a quarter each.

Forecast: A decrease of rainfall in South-east Madras.

Earthquake Report: Earthquake shock of slight intensity at its origin about 5,400 miles away was recorded by Bombay Seismographs at eighteen hours fifty-four minutes Indian Standard Time, on Thursday, the 25th December.—A. P.

BOMBAY'S SYMPATHY WITH INDIA'S AILING LEADERS.

Bombay prayed on Thursday the speedy recovery of Pandit Malaviya and Mr. Vithalbhai Patel, who have broken down in health due to their incarceration. Their portraits were taken out in a procession. Our picture show a view of the procession.

Satygraha News From All Quarters

BERAR DICTATOR JAILED FOR ONE YEAR.

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Mr. Garadagaonkar As New Dictator.

(From a Correspondent)

AMROTI, Dec. 21.

Mr. Abasheb Ozarkar, pleader, "Dictator" of Berar and Mr. Annasaheb Kaloti, Dictator of Amraoti are jailed for 1 year R. I. and Rs. 400 fine each for taking part in the Gharwar procession. Mrs. Laxmibai Dandekar gets 4 months' S. I. and Rs. 100 fine, or in default 3 months' S. I.

Dr. Miss Jawale is sentenced to 6 months' S. I. and Rs. 250 fine or in default 4 months' further S. I.

Sixteen other leaders have also received R. I. under 145 I.P.C.

BERAR'S 10TH DICTATOR.

Mr. Garadaonkar of Khamgaon is appointed as the tenth Dictator of Berar, and Mr. Appasaheb Muley is appointed as Dictator of Amraoti.

SEQUEL TO HUNGER STRIKE

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All Ladies Placed In "B" Class

DELHI, Tuesday.

It is learnt that consequent on the hunger-strike by men and women political prisoners in the Delhi Jail, which has been going on since Saturday evening, the local Administration have issued instructions that all 'C' class women prisoners should be transferred to 'B' and that in future no woman should be placed in 'C' class. Accordingly, Major Webb, the Superintendent of the jail, visited the jail this afternoon and communicated the orders to the hunger-strikers, and persuaded them to give up the strike. The ladies and men who had not eaten anything for over sixty hours took some light refreshment. It is understood that at the same time the Superintendent intimated to the ladies that they would be transferred immediately. About forty ladies all of whom had grown considerably weak specially Srimati Brij Rani who was even unable to stir from the bed, were then transferred in lorries at dusk and taken to Nanglotation from where they were conveyed in the train to Lahore. The ladies were given no time either to interview their relatives who were standing outside the jail or in the case several of them, even to send for their beddings, etc., from their houses, and were asked hurriedly to get ready. It is learnt that, on account of her extreme weakness Srimati Brij Rani was given an injection by Dr. (Mrs) Nigal and removed on a chair to the waiting car in which she was carried in the same condition. One of the lady convicts Parra Devi, a girl of about 16, was released unconditionally. Mrs. Kaul was also taken in a car.

With the solitary exception of Kumari Kamsilya Devi who has been suffering from fever and who is still in the local jail as her case is now to come up on the 2nd January, all other ladies have been transferred from the local jail.

Earlier in the day the City Magistrate had to postpone Kumari Kamsilya's case to 2nd Jan. in view of her weakness and the consequent inability to be present in the court.—"Hindustan Times."

POLICE EXCESSES IN PEDDAPUR

A Journalist's Indictment

RAJAHMUNDRY, Dec. 22.

Mr. K. Iswara Dutt, Assistant Editor, "the Leader" writes:—

According to the traditions of the Hindu calendar, this is a month of garden parties and picnics. There is no reason why a section of the Hindus, though they are of the Congress, or men of Congress leanings, cannot meet together and share the festivities of the season. But the district authorities seem to hold views, peculiarly their own, and the general repressive policy launched against the Congressmen seems to be their only excuse, for resorting to methods which have no parallel or precedent in history, ancient or modern.

GARDEN PARTY "ASSAULTED."

It is amazing to be told that at Peddapuram, in the garden of Mr. B. Narayanamurti, where a large number of Congressmen in this district assembled at a social function yesterday in response to an invitation issued by Mr. V. R. Gajapatiarma, the police made a lathi charge. The party included influential and respectable citizens: it also included ladies. In the evening a posse of constables formed a cordon round the party. Even if there were little reason and less excuse for it, they could have asked them to disperse and given them a chance to go away unmolested. But nothing of that sort seems to have happened. I reliably understand that cars were damaged, cooks belaboured, handbags searched, items of the menu consumed, and men beaten and women too shared the same fate.

LADIES "TREATED" TO LATHIS.

I had the unfortunate privilege of meeting some of them in person and seeing the injuries they received. Srimati P. Kameswaramma, Mr K. V. R. Swami, Messrs. Nalam Krishna Rao, K. Lingaraju, R. Venkatappa and S. V. Ramarao were among those who were "treated" to the lathis.

Where is the provocation, I wonder, for this police zoolum? What have the guests of Mr. Gajapatiyarma done to be victimised thus? Have they written these articles or delivered speeches which savoured of sedition? Have they conspired against the British Raj? Can't they entertain themselves at dinners and luncheons and teas, at their own cost?—"Swarajya."

YEOTMAL DISTRICT WAR COUNCIL

Cangratulatory General Meeting

(From Our Correspondent.)

YEOTMAL, Dec. 26.

The Yeotmal District War Council in a general meeting on 25th inst. under the presidency of Dictator Sjt. Jatkar congratulated Sjt. Abasaheb Ozakar Provincial Dictator, Sjt. Kaloti, President, Amraoti Congress Committee, Mrs. Laxmibai Dandekar, vice president Mrs. Anna Joshi, Captain, Yeotmal Volunteer Core and others in Amraoti and Gadwaldin on their trial or on their imprisonment. It also congratulated Provincial War Secretary, Sjt. Marathe and Dr. Gadre of Adola on their arrests the same meeting and Sjt. Anna Saheb Pande who was jailed for forest civil disobedience at Pusad on his release. A mass prayer for the speedy recovery of Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya was observed in the same meeting all standing. In the same meeting Sjt. Ganpatrao Abhayankar of Sangli spoke on the R.T.C. and Dominion Status.

Nagpur Congress Officials Arrested

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(From Our Correspondent).

NAGPUR, Dec. 25.

Sjt Kamavisdar and Yadaorao Deshmukh, Secretary and Member of the "War Council," respectively were sentenced to one year's simple imprisonment yesterday, under Sec. 108.

Sjt. Pandharipande and Marulker are appointed new Secretary and Member of the "War Council" respectively.

Muzazarpur Dec. 25.—Durga Shahi, the fifth Dictator of the District is sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment under Sec. 17 (1) Cr. L. A. Act, while young boy is fined Rs. 25, or in default, three months.

Bhagalpur Dec. 26.—Pandit Bodhanarain Misra, Secretary, District Coneress and Padmakar Jha, Manaizer, Local Press, is arrested under Sec. 17 (1) Cr. L. A. Act on a charge of being members of an unlawful assembly.

Calcutta High Court Holds Ban As Bad In Law.

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BUT POLICE COMMISSIONER AGAIN BANS PUBLIC MEETING

PEOPLE ASKED TO LEAVE SHRADDHANANDA PARK: GUARD STATIONED

CALCUTTA, Dec. 26.

In view of the Calcuta High Court decision declaring the order of the police Commissioner banning public meetings and processions as had in law a public meeting was announced to take place yesterday in leaflets, under the signature of the President of the Bengal Civil Disobedience Council. The police forestalled the organisers, and in pursuance of the orders of the Police Commissioner, Sjt. Santosh Bagchi, President of the meeting, and a few others were asked to leave Shraddhananda Park, the venue of the meeting, which was guarded by the police. None were arrested.

FRAIL PRISONER IN YERAVDA.

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Most Powerful Influence At Round Table Conference.

THE IRRISISTIBLE TIDE

The amazing unity revealed by the Indian delegates at the Round Table Conference spells doom for the British in India. Potentate and scavenger, Brahman and Mahomedan, Begum Shah Nawaz and the Aga Khan—all demanded self-government. Conservative British opinion is stunned. The divided condition of India has long been advanced as proof of the necessity for continued British administration. The assertion has often been made that the Princes are opposed to autonomy for British India, that the Muslims prefer to remain under British rule, that the untouchables are antagonistic to the nationalist movement, and that the caste system makes impossible representative government in India. When Gandhi and his colleagues refused to attend the Conference the assumption was general that the moderate and right wing delegates from India would be pro-British and would gratefully accept the offer of a limited advance toward Dominion Status. Gandhi's demand for "the substance of independence" was widely regarded as being the desire of a negligible minority.

UNANIMOUS DEMAND.

Yet the Indian delegates have thus far stood shoulder to shoulder in opposing the continuance of British rule. Maulana Muhammad Ali, who even in recent days has relentlessly condemned Mahatma Gandhi's tactics, demanded autonomy for India and warned of the peril of delay. Pleading for a Burke to prevent another disastrous separation, he cried out: "George III lost America. Let history record that George V won India." The Brahman, Dr. B. S. Moonje, declared that he and his high-caste colleagues were committed to equal political rights for untouchables. Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar, member of the scavenger class of outcastes and a former student at Columbia University, expressed the conviction that the evils of the caste system could be remedied more quickly under self-government. After admitting that the British had done some good, he went on to say: "So far as we (outcastes) are concerned, the British Government has accepted the social arrangements as it found them. Our wrongs have remained as open sores and have not been righted, although 150 years of British rule have rolled away ..... We feel that nobody can remove our grievances as well as we can, and we cannot remove them unless we get the political power in our own hands."

NO SURPRISE.

Students of nationalism should not be surprised at this display of unity in London. Nationalism is undoubtedly the most unifying force in the modern world. Especially in times of crisis it creates such powerful emotions that citizens of a given country at least temporarily bury their own differences in expressing a common antagonism to an alien foe. The analogy of the husband and wife who were engaged in a violent combat, yet who made common cause against the outsider who tried to separate them, is illuminating. Various factions in India have fought in the past and may fly at each other's throats in the future, and even at the conference tragic differences are certain to be revealed: but until the British yoke is thrown off, all sections of India are likely to become more and more united in purpose and endeavour.

The most powerful influence at the Round Table Conference is not being exerted by any of the delegates seated at the table but by a frail prisoner in Yerovda jail. So generally is this fact admitted that the Aga Khan, Chairman of the British India delegation in London, has urged the British Government to promise the framework of self-government and bring the Mahatma to England to cooperate in working out the details.

MAC'S VAGUENESS

The chief address of Ramsay MacDonald was disappointing primarily because it was vague and indefinite. The encouraging aspect is that the Prime Minister talked frankly of autonomy and did not close the door in the face of the demand for Dominion Status without delay. It may be that he will yet adopt the bold and generous policy of offering "the substance of independence" and run the risk of losing office. Perhaps it is not realistic to expect a stateman to relinquish the power of high office, but surely defeat in a noble cause is a worthier fate than to adopt a policy of increasing repression and violence in the futile attempt to hold back the irresistible tide of Indian nationalism.—"World To-morrow."

'AFTER MALAVIYAJI'S RELEASE.

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"Going To Benares For Treatment."

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 24.

Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya, orders for whose release were received last night left the European civil hospital this morning at about 9-30 and after visiting his city house, he went to the residence of his son Pandit Ramakant Malaviya in George Town.

While leaving the hospital, Pandit Malaviya expressed his feelings of deep gratitude for the very kind treatment to the resident medical officer and nurses who had attended on him, the Superintendent of the hospital not being in the hospital at the time of his departure.

Pandit Malaviya being very weak, a public demonstration was avoided at the hospital at the time of his release. He is desirous of leaving for Benares tomorrow or as soon as possible for treatment.

On Trans-Atlantic Flight

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LONDON, Dec. 25.

ROME.—General Balbo's seaplanes have arrived at Bolama in Portuguese Guinea, from where they will start on their transatlantic flight after overhauling.—Reuter.

Tangil Dec. 25.—Manmathanath Sanyal, formerly a local High School Teacher, is sentenced to a year's rigorous imprisonment under Sec. 124-A I. P. C. The judgment was pronounced in Hospital where the accused is lying ill.—A. P.

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